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DOIHARA'S ATTITUDE WEAKENING

CHINESE GAINING CONFIDENCE

HO YING-CHING NOW IN PEIPING

VITAL CONFERENCE OF NORTHERN LEADERS

Peiping, Dec. 4.

Last night General Ho Ying-ching, Nanking War Minister, fresh from conferences of great consequence at Paotingfu, arrived in Peiping.

At his headquarters the man who is supposedly pitted against Japan's General Doihara in resisting the autonomy movement in the North, gave a brief interview to the Chinese press. He had come north, he said, at the instance of the Government to investigate the whole situation and to discuss with the different provincial authorities questions which might arise. He had no other mission and he had not yet considered whether he would take up the post of Director of the Peiping Office of the Executive Yuan.

He was not expected to see General Doihara last night, but some time to-day. If the interview does not eventuate, it is expected that Hsiung Shih-hui and Chen Yi will confer with the Japanese leader.

Local authorities are understood to have seen General Doihara yesterday, before General Ho's arrival, and it is rumoured that they found his attitude less strong than formerly. There is a general expectation of settlement along the lines suggested; that a Council similar to the Mongol Council be set up. This may be achieved before the end of the week.

CREATES CONFIDENCE

General Ho's presence creates confidence and optimism which were lacking among officials before. It is believed the courage and firmness with which the local authorities have met what practically amounted to bullying tactics of the Japanese military are beginning to make an impression, which General Ho's arrival is expected to extend still further and deeper.

It is learned from reliable Chinese sources that Major General Takahashi the Japanese military attaché here spent an hour with General Ho yesterday afternoon. The purpose of the interview was not disclosed, but it is surmised that negotiations are reaching an important stage.

Last night General Ho was closeted at his headquarters with leading Chinese military officers in a conference which lasted into the early hours of the morning.—*Reuter*.

CAREFULLY GUARDED

Peiping, Dec. 4.
Preceded by an armoured pilot train, General Ho Ying-ching's special train, with bodyguards, arrived here last night. Military police had previously searched 500 telegrams including high Chinese officials and friends of General Ho Ying-ching. No Japanese officials were present.

The War Minister motored to the Winter Palace where the conference between him and the North China leaders will take place to-night.

In a brief statement, General Ho said:

"I am here to confer with the northern leaders and to deal with unusual problems of pressing importance."

"I have not yet decided whether to assume the post of director of the Peiping office of the Executive Yuan," he said.—*United Press*.

EVERY PRECAUTION

Peiping, Dec. 4.
General Ho Ying-ching's special train brought the War Minister to the Kinshan Terminus early last night, and the station, inside the city, was crowded with heavily armed troops. Police took every precaution against trouble of any sort.

There was a large gathering of high officials at the station to meet General Ho. These included General Sung Chieh-yuan, Chin Teh-chun, Hsiao Cheng-yin, Chen Yi and Hsiung Shih-hui.

After the greetings, the party entered motor cars where the long line, preceded by bodyguards, escorted General Ho to his former residence at the end of the Southern Lake of the Forbidden City.

General Ho is issuing a written statement later to-night.—*Reuter*.

CHINESE APPEAL TO BRITAIN

TREATY BREACHES ALLEGED OBLIGATIONS INDICATED

London, Dec. 3.

Mr. Quo Tai-chi, the Chinese Minister in London, has been in conversation with Sir Samuel Hoare, the British Foreign Minister, and *Reuter* learns that the Chinese diplomat has drawn attention to the extreme gravity of the situation in North China. He has stressed the severe pressure put upon China by Japan, both through diplomatic and military means.

Such pressure, Mr. Quo Tai-chi pointed out, constituted a flagrant violation not only of the Nine Power Pact but also of the Covenant of the League of Nations.

The Chinese Minister drew attention to Great Britain's obligations under both these documents.

Sir Samuel Hoare replied in sympathetic strain and informed the Chinese Minister that conversations had been proceeding for some time between London and Washington.

Moreover, he recalled that the British *Charge d'Affaires* in Tokyo had recently been instructed to call upon the Japanese Foreign Office and inquire regarding the position in North China and the intentions of Japan.—*Reuter*.

FRANCE APPROACHED

Paris, Dec. 3.

The Chinese Charge d'Affaires in Paris has held a conference with M. Pierre Laval, Prime Minister of France, reportedly on the autonomy movement in North China.—*United Press*.

BRITISH FINANCES

London, Dec. 3.

Exchequer returns show that the total ordinary revenue, excluding self-balancing items, amounts to £392,008,017, compared with £374,428,860 at the corresponding date of last year. Total ordinary expenditure, exclusive of self-balancing items, is £470,073,768, against £471,023,020 at the corresponding date of 1934.—*British Wireless*.



The main gateway of Harar. The Ethiopians are now removing their troops from the city to protect the civil population from air raids.

NEUTRALS WHO SELL MUNITIONS

"GREEDY AMERICANS" WARNED

PROSECUTION THREATENED

Washington, Dec. 3.

Mr. Cordell Hull, the Secretary of State, today sharply warned all firms and individuals handling arms and munitions and which have hitherto failed to register—as required by the Neutrality Act.

He hopes, says Mr. Hull, that failure to register is due to inadvertence, but he asserts that after a short time defaulters will be criminally prosecuted unless they conform with the law.—*Reuter*.

GREEDY AMERICANS

Washington, Dec. 3.
Senator Bone, speaking to the press today, threatened an investigation by the Senate Munitions Committee of the business of "greedy Americans" who were exporting arms to belligerent nations, contrary to the State Department's warning.—*United Press*.

PROTECTION FOR AMERICANS

HANKOW CONSUL'S DEMAND

Washington, Dec. 3.

The American Consul General at Hankow has telegraphed to the Governor of Hunan an "urgent request" that he should protect Americans in the path of the Chinese so-called Communists.

The State Department says there are four American Catholic priests stationed at Chian, two at Hupu and one at Lam Poon. There are also nine Americans stationed in the area where Communists were reported on November 29.

The Consul has repeatedly called warnings to Americans in the area being invaded by the Communists.—*United Press*.

FRENCH CHAMBER SUSPENDED

FOLLOWING NOISY DEBATE

Paris, Dec. 3.

The deputies' debate over the suppression of Fascist organisations, forcing a suspension of the session.

The Deputy, M. Rucart, a Leftist, charged M. Laval with failing to suppress the Croix de Feu, describing it as an organisation which is "preparing for civil war."

M. Laval spoke in his own defence, and was followed by the Minister of Justice, M. Leon Bernard, who was booed.

The tumult became so great that the session was compelled to go into recess.—*United Press*.

HONGKONG DOLLAR COLLAPSES

Twice Declines During Morning Session

The Hongkong dollar twice declined this morning, representing a fall of 3/8ths on yesterday's official quotations.

On opening, the official rate was 1s. 5 1/2d., a fall of 1/8th, business being done early on at 1s. 4 1/2d. Later, there was a further fall of a farthing to 1s. 4 1/4d., and business was recorded as low as 1s. 4 3/4d.

The market showed every sign of weakness, having collapsed. Chinese and the banks were keen buyers, and there were no sellers.

JAPAN'S PRINCE IS NAMED

STRANGE CEREMONY IN PALACE GARDEN

FORMALITY OF ANCIENT DAYS

(Special to "Telegraph")

Tokyo, Dec. 4.
Four ceremonies in connection with the naming of the newly-born Prince took place this morning.

In the first, the personal attendant of the Empress proceeded at 6.40 a.m. to Aoyama Palace garden, where the placenta was ceremonially buried, having previously been placed in an unglazed vessel and a pine tree planted over it. Later, a stone pillar was erected beside the tree.

Next came the bathing ceremony, the baby Prince being placed in a large cypress tree wooden tub. Meanwhile, Dr. Sanji Mikami, Professor of Entomology at the Imperial University, wearing an ancient costume, read the chronicles outside a bamboo screen which shielded the little Prince.

Simultaneously, two high attendants sounded the strings of a large red and white low, with arrows, according to ancient tradition, thus dispelling evil spirits.

The actual naming ceremony took place at 10.30. The Imperial Household Minister, Mr. Kurohata Yuasa, appointed the Grand Chamberlain, Admiral Suzuki, as Imperial Messenger to inform the Prince of his name, which the Emperor had personally written on a piece of precious Japanese paper, which was placed in a wooden box wrapped in silk crepe. At 11 a.m. the Grand Chamberlain commissioned the Empress's Lord Steward to place the box beside the Prince's bed.

The concluding ceremony consisted of informing the Imperial ancestors of the Prince's name, which was handed to the Assistant Chief Ritualist while an orchestra played ancient Japanese music. The ritualist placed the name before the Palace Shrine, where large ceremonial candles were burning, thus concluding the ceremony.—*United Press*.

CONVICTS FIGHT FOR FREEDOM

DARING ESCAPES IN AMERICA

THREE KILLED: THREE FREE

New York, Dec. 3.

Eleven desperate convicts figured in two prison breaks to-day which resulted in the deaths of three persons and the serious injuring of three more.

The first, at Boston, was one of the most daring exploits of its sort staged in a long time. Five convicts broke out of the State Prison, smashed through three sets of prison gates in order to reach freedom.

They gained an open road, just beyond the prison's walls, abandoned the battered lorry and took to their heels. Guards pursued, and within a short time all the fugitives were rounded up. Only one of them refused to surrender and he was shot down.

KIDNAPPERS ESCAPE

The second escape was more successful. At Muskogee, Oklahoma, four members of the notorious Irish O'Malley gang, kidnapers and hold-up men, overpowered the guards and seized the police armory. They raised arms and bolted, fighting a gun duel with prison officers as they ran.

One of the gangsters was shot dead, but the other three won to freedom. They are being hunted by every available officer in the state.—*Reuter*.

PREPARE TO ATTACK

ETHIOPIAN ARMY ADVANCE

Asmara, Dec. 3.

Presumably with the intention of attacking the Italian forces in the Makale area, a large and well-equipped Ethiopian army is at present advancing towards that city.

An Italian communication states that the prospect of an attack finds the Italian troops in the highest spirits. If the Ethiopians are really intent upon giving battle in mass formation, they will not find the Italian command unwilling to seize this chance of achieving more by one engagement than by a dozen guerrilla victories.—*Reuter*.

TOWNS EVACUATED

Addis Ababa, Dec. 3.

It is officially claimed that the Italians have evacuated Gorraneh and Gerlogub.—*Reuter Special*.

NEW PEERS' TITLES

London, Dec. 3.

It is announced in the *Gazette* that Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister has taken the title of Viscount Swinton of Masham, and Sir Bolton Eyres-Monell that of Viscount Monnell of Evesham.—*Reuter Special*.

ANGLO-FRENCH PEACE PLAN

FINAL ATTEMPT TO AVOID EMBARGO

BASED ON PROPOSALS ALREADY REJECTED

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

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Paris, Dec. 3.

The British and French Governments have decided to submit a new peace plan to Italy before embarking on the admittedly dangerous oil embargo.

The new plan will be based upon the proposals which Signor Benito Mussolini rejected in August, including the scheme for an International Mandate over Ethiopia, with Italy holding the dominant share. It will also include suggestions for the exchange of Italian and Ethiopian territory, with Ethiopia being given an outlet to the sea, probably through Italian Somaliland.

It is said that Signor Mussolini has shown a manifest desire to examine the possibilities.

Although it is emphasised that the plan has not yet been formally drafted, an atmosphere of noticeable optimism prevails.—*United Press*.

BALDWIN DEFENDS POLICY

TREATIES MUST BE HELD SACRED

LABOUR CHIEF CRITICAL

London, Dec. 3.

Despite his request that his international rugby prowess be forgotten now that he was a serious politician, Mr. W. W. Wakefield, mover of the Loyalty Address at the opening of Parliament, was bombarded with sporting references.

His second, Sir Charles Barrie, congratulated Mr. Wakefield on his fine run in the elections, the sort of run one might expect from a famous footballer.

Major Clement Attlee, the Labour chief and leader of the Opposition, after referring to His Majesty's bereavement in the death of the Princess Victoria, said the ball had come to Mr. Wakefield soon after he had joined the Government and he had immediately made his mark.

Major Attlee went on to say that the Government was treating the Covenant-breaking Italy as if she were in exactly the same position as other powers. He was unable to see how a settlement acceptable to Italy, Ethiopia and the League could possibly be reached. This was the sort of situation in which the Hon. Secretary might say, referring to an epidemic of house-breaking, that he hoped shortly to come to a settlement equally agreeable to the house-breaker, the householder and the Home Secretary.

Increased armaments constituted the real point of the King's Speech, the rest being merely dressing and trimming, said Major Attlee.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin, the Prime Minister, after sympathetically referring to Princess Victoria's death, vigorously defended the Government's foreign policy.

He declared: "I'm going to lose no chance to get this country peace instead of war."

Mr. Baldwin said the League was on trial. If the League were able to end this present terrible dispute, every lover of peace in Europe would be grateful and thankful, providing always that the conditions laid down were the conditions obtained.

KEEPING TREATIES

Speaking of existing treaties, Mr. Baldwin said that modification of treaties was one thing, but repudiation was another. Unilateral repudiation meant a rule of force, and (Continued on Page 7.)

FAVOURABLE PROGRESS

London, Dec. 3.

It is understood that the Ethiopian conciliation talks between the British and French experts are progressing favourably in Paris.

The points upon which the experts of the two countries differ are not fundamental and they may complete their work by the week-end.

It is believed they are not working on a plan involving large territorial concessions to Italy, but are developing in detail proposals of the League Committee of Five, previously abandoned. These proposals give Italy various and considerable economic advantages, as well as concessions of a political nature in Ogaden.

It is considered significant that M. Pierre Laval, the French Prime Minister, is keeping the Italian Ambassador in Paris, Signor V. Cerruti, fully informed regarding the progress of the talks.—*Reuter*.

OIL EMBARGO DEAD?

Rome, Dec. 3.

The oil embargo project, with which the League of Nations has recently been threatening Italy, is dead, according to opinion in authoritative quarters. This feeling is the result of the change of attitude on the part of the Canadian Government, which has disowned the action of its representative at Geneva, Mr. Riddell, who proposed the embargo.

It is just revealed that the French Ambassador at Rome had long talk with Signor Savio, the under-secretary for Foreign Affairs. He invited the latter to submit proposals for the settlement of the Italo-Ethiopian dispute, but none have been forthcoming up to the present.—*Reuter*.

VICTORIA GAOL EXECUTION

MURDERER PAYS EXTREME PENALTY

Ho Wah, who was sentenced to death at the October Criminal Sessions for the murder of a compatriot, Au Wan-fai, at Chukwan village, Lantau Island, on September 2 last year, was hanged in Victoria Gaol at 6 o'clock this morning, in the presence of Mr. J. W. Francis, Superintendent of Prisons, Chief Warden Barrett and Dr. Ingram Shaw, gaol medical officer.

It will be recalled that three others stood trial with Ho Wah, but they were found not guilty by the jury and discharged.

Mr. W. J. Lockhart Smith, Assistant Crown Solicitor, appeared for the Crown at the trial and the defence was represented by Mr. H. O. Macnamara and Mr. Harold Lee. The trial lasted four days.

An inquest on Ho Wah will be held at the Central Magistracy in the course of to-day.

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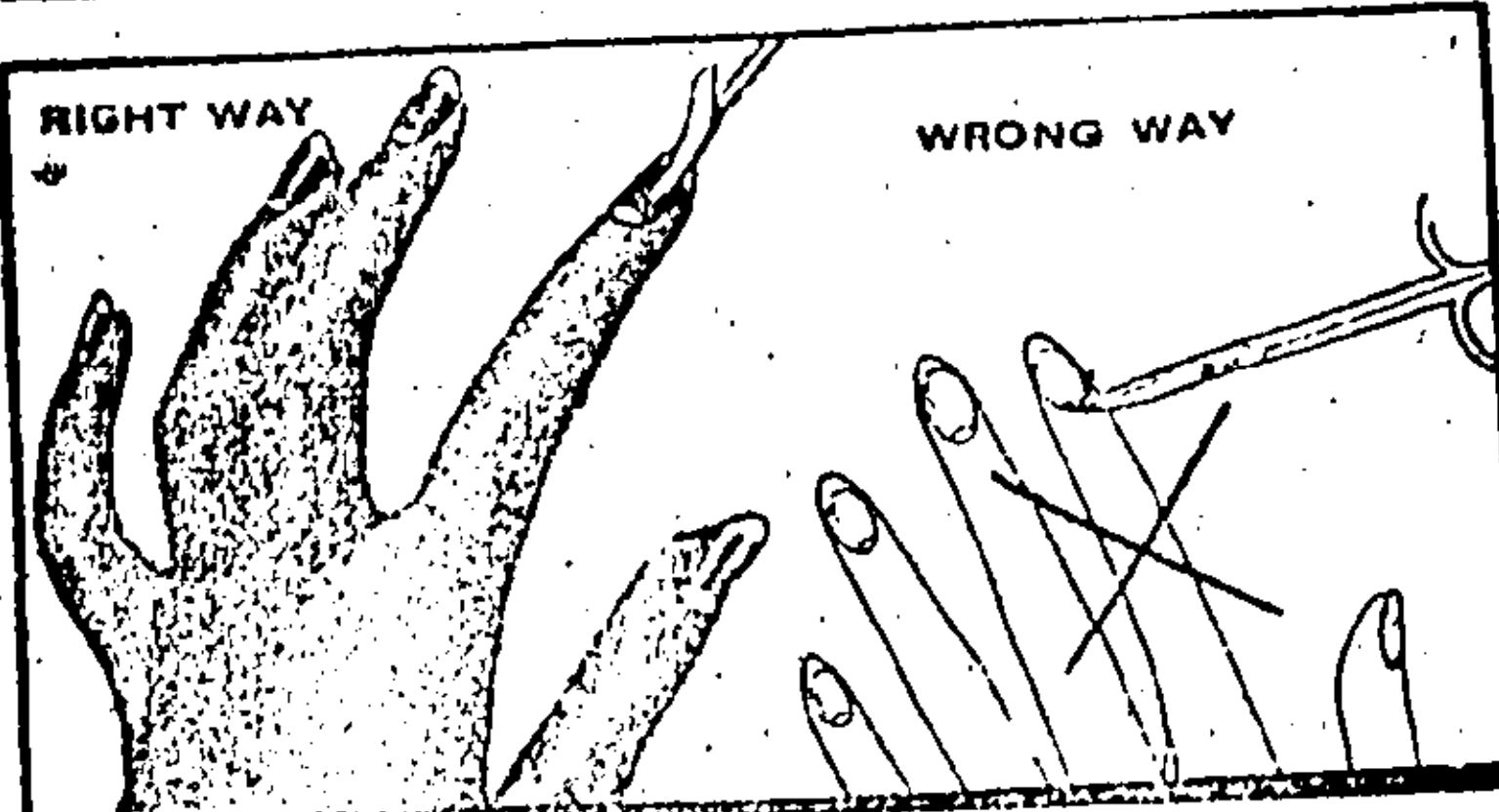
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Hongkong Romance to End in London Divorce Court

MRS. C. W. A. SCOTT TO COMMENCE ACTION

FAMOUS AIR RACE WINNER MET WIFE IN HONGKONG IN 1928

A FAMOUS AIRMAN'S ROMANCE THAT STARTED IN HONGKONG IN 1927 WILL SHORTLY END IN THE DIVORCE COURT IN LONDON.

MRS. SCOTT, WIFE OF MR. C. W. A. SCOTT, THE AIRMAN WHO WAS JOINT-WINNER WITH CAPTAIN CAMPBELL BLACK OF THE ENGLAND-TO-MELBOURNE AIR RACE, IN OCTOBER LAST YEAR, HAS FILED A PETITION FOR DIVORCE.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott were married in Melbourne eight years ago. There is one child, Rosemary, aged five. Mrs. Scott is an Australian. She is now living on Mersea Island.

PRIOR to joining Campbell Black in the Centenary air race, C.W.A. Scott was an aviator with the famous Queensland and Northern Territory Aerial Service—known the world-over as QANTAS—in Australia, regularly flying on their routes in North Queensland.

During one of his furloughs he paid a visit to Hongkong. Another Australian, Miss Kathleen O'Neill was also on a visit to the Colony, and the young couple met in the lounge of the Hongkong Hotel.

During the rest of their stay here they saw a great deal of each other, and travelled back to Queensland on the same liner.

Enroute to their Homeland they became engaged and the wedding took place shortly afterwards.

When Rosemary, their daughter, was born, the proud father signalled the event by making a record from Brisbane to Melbourne, being the first aviator to make the 1,040 mile trip from dawn to dusk.

Shortly afterwards, a wealthy Australian pastoralist asked Scott if he would proceed to England to fly a British-made plane to Australia. Arriving in England in February, 1931, Scott conceived the idea of trying to beat the record on the flight to Australia. Leaving Lympne at dawn on April 1, he covered the distance to Port Darwin in nine days, four hours, beating unlucky Kingsford-Smith's previous record by 19 hours. The cost of this flight worked out at barely a penny a mile.

In the Centenary Air Race, together with Campbell Black, he covered the same distance in less than three days.

Much Discussed Film For Local Release

"MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM" BOOKED

HONGKONG will see the much discussed Max Reinhardt production "A Midsummer Night's Dream," according to Mr. J. Noronha, Manager of the Queen's Theatre, who has just completed arrangements for the presentation of the Warner Bros. film masterpiece with Mr. Harold Dunn, Warner Bros. Far Eastern representative who came down specially to finalise earlier arrangements.

"Our present plan is to hold the premiere early in the New Year," declared Mr. Noronha, "and to present it twice daily for a limited number of days only."

"This is the first time in a number of years any screen production has been 'road shown' and Hongkong is one of the few cities that will have the privilege of seeing this production so soon. The general release date is many months in the future."

"A Midsummer Night's Dream" is the first picture ever to be made by Prof. Reinhardt, the genius who staged the mighty theatrical spectacle "The Miracle," and it was only after many months of persuasion that Warner Bros. were able to prevail upon him to film the "Dream," which he produced so successfully in Hollywood and San Francisco.

Once committed to the task, Reinhardt proceeded to surround himself with specialists who are the recognized leaders of their profession.

To stage the ballet he brought Bronislava Nijinska, whom he considered the outstanding Maitre de Ballet in Europe.

For ballerina he would have no one but Ninl Theilade, protege and successor of Pavlova, and premiere danseuse of many of Europe's foremost ballets.

To adapt the music of Mendelssohn, who originally wrote the score of the stage production, Reinhardt insisted upon Erich Wolfgang Korngold, one of Vienna's most famous composers.

Then Reinhardt turned to the casting and, in this, too, he was given an absolutely free hand by Warner Bros. executives. Despite the fact that Warner Bros. roster of stars is the most complete in the history of motion pictures, Reinhardt was given carte blanche to employ any players available and it was only after repeated tests that he chose for the key roles James Cagney, Joe E. Brown, Dick Powell, Jean Muir, Victor Jory, Verree Teasdale, Hugh Herbert, Anita Louise, Frank McHugh, Ross Alexander, Ian Hunter, Mickey Rooney, Olivia de Havilland and Grant Mitchell.



MRS. C. W. A. SCOTT.

NEW FLYING BOATS' TWO DECKS

SKY PROMENADE ON VOYAGES TO DOMINIONS

THE fleet of large flying-boats, now ordered by Imperial Airways will offer a standard of passenger comfort surpassing anything yet attempted in air craft.

Short Brothers, of Rochester, have begun building 29 of these ships, which will operate the Empire air services to Africa, Egypt, India and Australia and will be used for the experimental flights across the Atlantic.

For the first time, a flying boat hull will be divided into two decks—upper and lower. With a fully-loaded weight of 17½ tons, this new type of monoplane flying boat is designed to carry a load of from 3½ to 5 tons, according to distance to be flown without stops.

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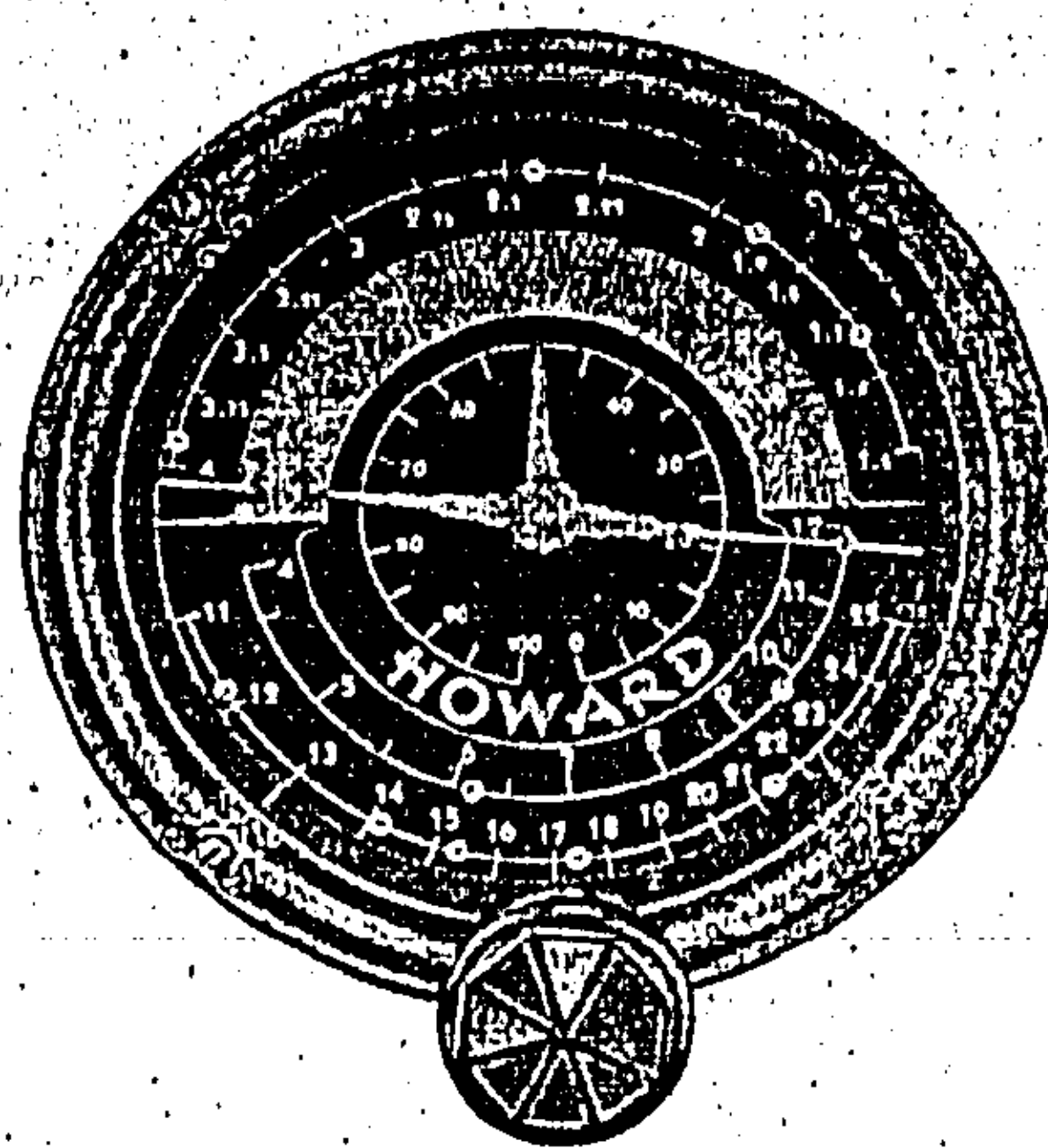
Training Scheme

In these new ships the pilot's cockpit will be called the bridge, following Imperial Airways custom of giving their pilots the nautical titles—captain, commander and first officer.

The bridge will be on the upper deck, with the ship's office and mail compartment. There will be two stairways to serve meals and make beds.

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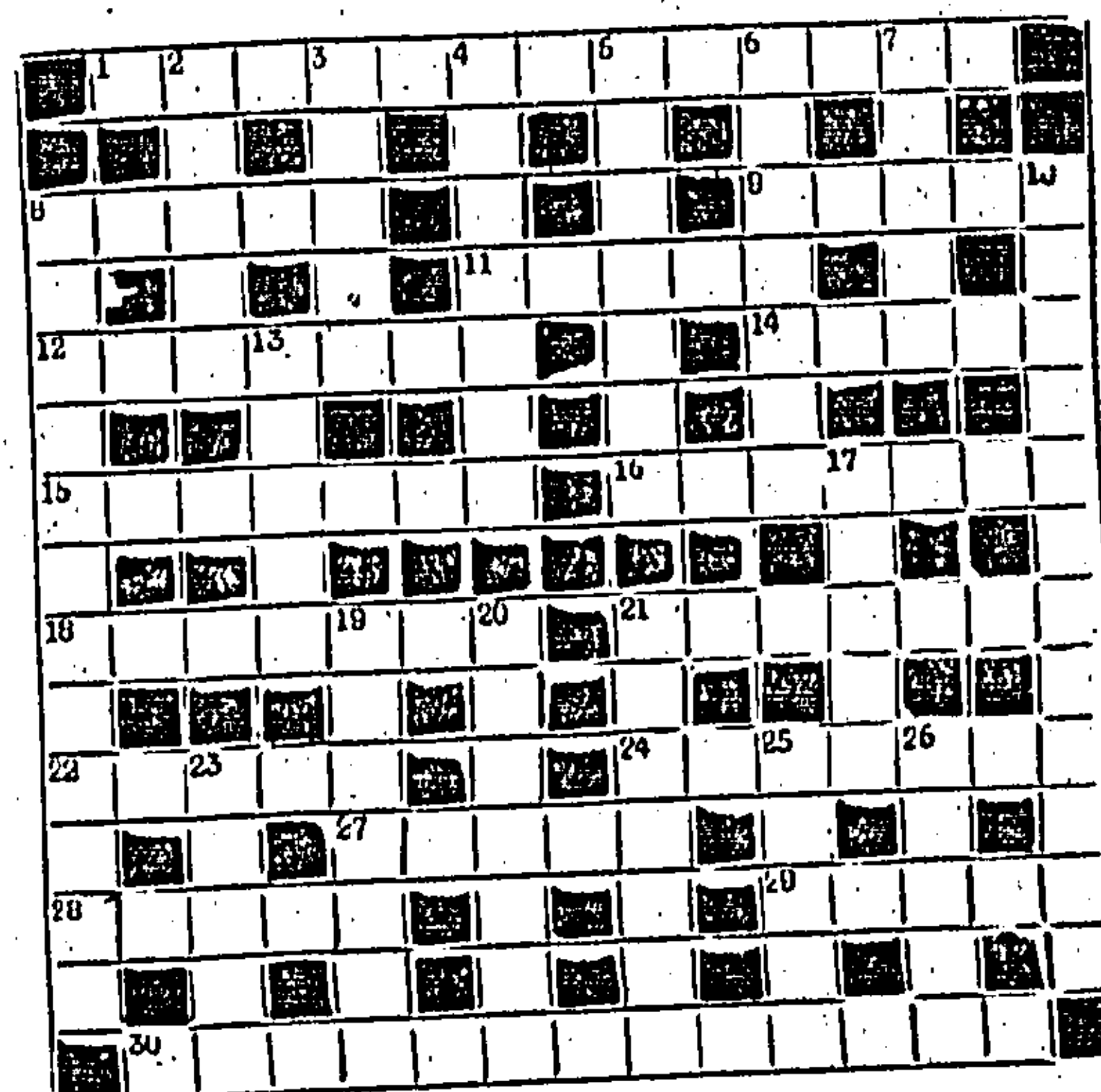
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- This one holds water, if you like!
- Adoring (anag.).
- No the chantant, it's only pulling your leg.
- Foreign dignitary.
- He took tobacco to France.
- Many smokers have done this up.
- She took a lot from Nellie in "Water Babies."
- When it is, a frock will shine.
- There are locks on its banks.
- The sort of question arising between us and France.

DOWN

- Nawab.
- Turn it either way, it will turn half rotten.
- A hat has; but give it up.
- Acting like a shepherd.
- Smith Minor's "menagerie lion."
- Long walk, or long walker.
- Dateless nice (anag.).
- Leaders don't like playing this

- Instrument (two words, 6, 6).
- 17th Century prominent conspirator.
- Loathed going up (rev.).
- Strained.
- This ship held only a bit more than four quarts.
- Pitchet, better unstroked.
- Thinner than cotton, this place.
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- These islands were friendly once.

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ESPIONAGE CHARGE

GERMAN NOVELIST SENT FOR TRIAL

London, Dec. 3.
Dr. Hermann Gortz, the German novelist and ex-officer of the German Air Force, who was brought before

the Margate Magistrates on November 26 on a charge of espionage at various British R.A.F. Aerodromes, has been committed to stand his trial at the Old Bailey.

The accused said: "I do not feel guilty." At the previous hearing the prisoner declared that he was only collecting material for a novel.

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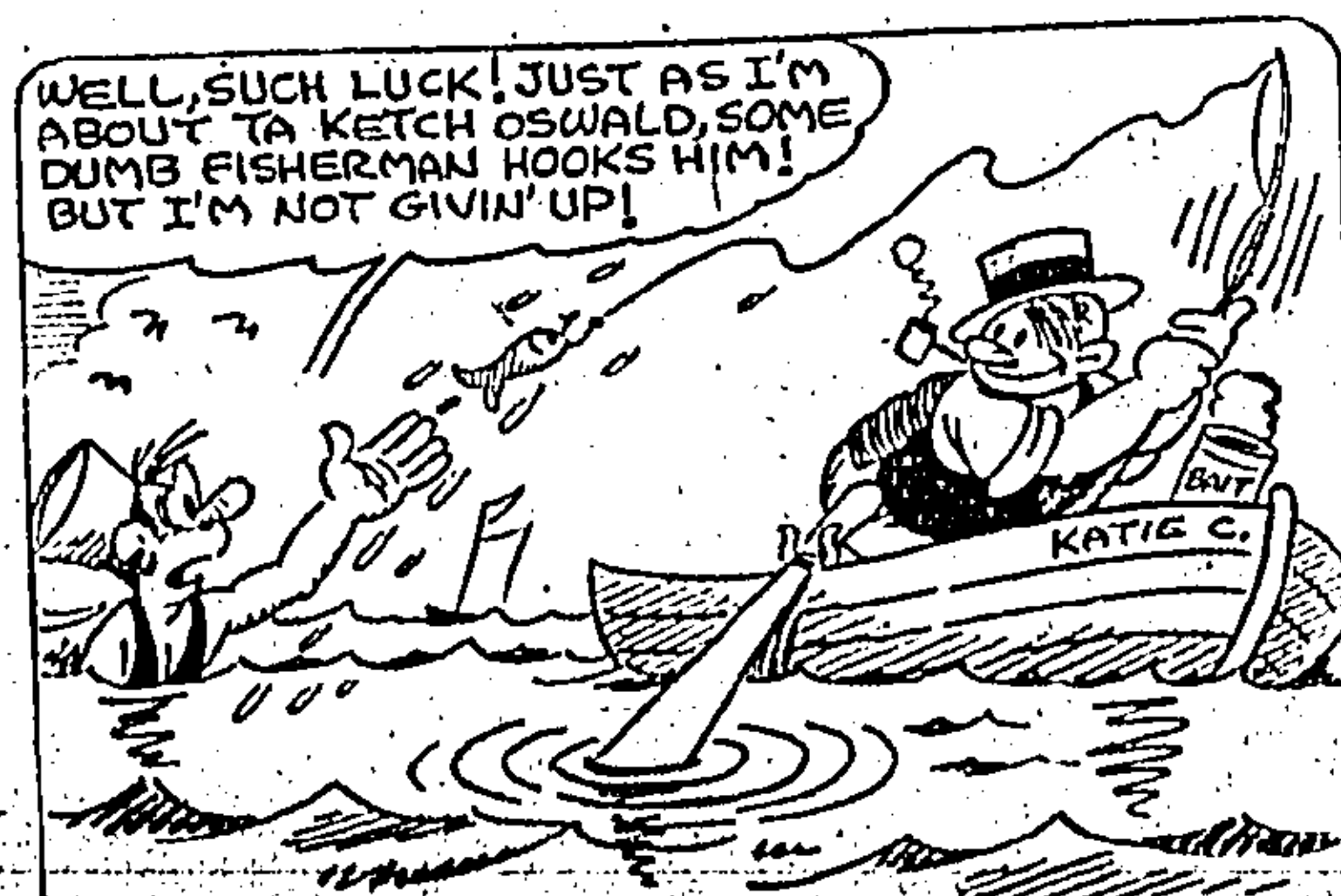
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MAUNALO A WARNING: GREATER ERUPTION SOON

HAWAIIAN VOLCANO MAY SPREAD NEW DISASTER.

LAST WEEK'S ACTIVITY ONLY
PRELIMINARY RUMBLING

Hilo, Hawaii, Dec. 1.

Mauna Loa volcano, Nature's mighty blast furnace, is preparing to erupt, volcanologists predict, warning that the city of Hilo must be prepared for probably one of the greatest lava flows in Hawaii's turbulent volcanic history.

Date of the next eruption, which will be a violent one, naturally cannot be definitely set, according to Dr. T. A. Jagger, Hawaii National Park volcanologist, but this autumn or winter is a likely time and increased activity certainly should occur by 1936, he forecasts.

The potential danger of an eruption can be changed into a spectacular attraction if proper precautions are taken, Jagger said. Already a crude road is being constructed up the north-east slope of the mountain from Kilauea, Hawaii's other live volcano, which also shows signs of imminent activity.

Jagger's department keeps a constant vigil at Kilauea and during the eruptions when eruptions and earthquakes are characteristically active observers are stationed at Mauna Loa crater, a climb of nearly 14,000 feet from sea level. Thus the community can be properly informed of coming eruptions.

WATER SUPPLY UNPROTECTED
Jagger pointed out a lava flow down Mauna Loa's north side would lap up Hilo's water supply, as it has done in the past. Steps are being taken to provide for this emergency.

He based predictions of a lava flow on years of observation, pointing out that a flow should follow within 37 months of a summit crater gushing such as spectacularly occurred in December, 1933.

Strangely, flows occur in cycles which have averaged approximately 11 years to a period. The summit eruption in 1933 was not accompanied by a flow. The last Mauna Loa flow came in 1926 when glowing torpid rivers of lava burst through the mountainside and crept down the slope to the Kona coast, engulfing the tiny fishing village of Hoopu. Villagers were forewarned and since lava travels slowly, they were able to escape without loss of life.

ONE RIFT BEING SEALED

Jagger believes the southwest rift in Mauna Loa's massive crater—being sealed and hence the next activity will produce an outbreak on the north, toward Hilo.

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Press.

Heroic Title For Selassie Proves Error

"CONQUERING LION OF
JUDAH" FOUND DUE TO
SLIP IN TRANSLATION

Washington, Dec. 4.

The American public's most cherished illusion in the Ethiopian war collapsed when authorities disclosed that it is a grave, in fact, unpardonable—lexical error to describe Emperor Haile Selassie as "The Conquering Lion of Judah."

There has been perhaps no other phrase or title that impressed war news readers more vividly than the words "Conquering Lion" as applied to a slender, shadow-skinned and bearded little man so often photographed walking sedately in the streets of his capital and shaded from the sun by an old and unimpressive black umbrella.

ERROR IN TRANSLATION
But the trouble is that Haile Selassie's title was erroneously translated when it was copied into English. It should have read: "A lion has survived from the tribe of Judah."

Dr. George Lamsa, ethnologist associated in research with Dr. John P. Harrington of the Smithsonian Institution, disclosed today that the word "conquering" in the title is a complete misinterpretation and distorts the original meaning of the title, which dates to King Solomon. Instead of a roaring, ruthless beast, the title has a less blood-thirsty but nevertheless courageous origin, he said, which is in keeping with the history of Ethiopia.

The origin of the Ethiopian emperor's title may be found in the Book of Genesis and the word "lion" was merely a nickname for the tribe of Judah, according to Dr. Lamsa.

ONLY JUDAH SURVIVED
The tribe of Judah earned the name in 486 B.C. Jerusalem sided with Egypt when Egypt and Babylon were at war. The Babylonians captured Jerusalem, carried the tribesmen off to Babylon and slaughtered them. Only one survived. It was Judah.

"It was Jacob who gave the tribe of Judah the nickname of 'lion'," Dr. Lamsa said. "It was because of their courage. He said that the sceptre shall not depart from the tribe of Judah, nor a law-giver from between his feet." That meant that the leader of Judah should be the religious and political leader of the tribes.

It was this incident and the nickname "lion" that was the source of the motto of Solomon. In the original Amharic, it read: "Lion has survived (or prevailed) from the tribe of Judah." The word "survived"—not "conquered"—is the correct translation of the word, which is written "Netzakh" in Hebrew; "Zkha" in Aramaic and "Mogha" in Ethiopian.

BIBLICAL VERSION INTERPRETED

"The princes of Judah always vigorously enforced their leadership," Dr. Lamsa said. "When the tribes of Israel were fleeing from Egypt they arrived at the Dead Sea with their pursuers close behind. The tribe of Benjamin first attempted to cross. The sea did not open for them. The tribe of Judah stood on the shore and threw rocks at the Benjaminites until they returned. Then the princes of Judah led the way, and the sea opened for them."

"The present Ethiopian dynasty claims direct descent from Solomon and the Queen of Sheba—Aho was

Y.M.C.A.
80 YEARS
OLD

The Young Women's Christian Association's eightieth birthday was celebrated in London by a rally to which representatives of fifty-six countries were present. The photo shows the Australian representative displaying a curio from her country to a member from Australia.

SIR JOHN REITH 'SQUIRMED'

SECRETS OF RADIO
BAN ON PRIMATE
IN 1926 STRIKE

The secret history of the intervention in the general strike in 1926 of Dr. Randall Davidson, then Archbishop of Canterbury, and of Sir John Reith's refusal to allow him to broadcast an appeal for peace and conciliation, is revealed in a biography of the Archbishop, published last month.

The biographer, Dr. G. K. A. Bell, Bishop of Gloucester, quotes from Dr. Davidson's diary that Sir John Reith "squirmed" when the Prime Minister protested against the radio ban.

On May 7, Dr. Bell relates, after the strike had been in progress for some days, a group of churchmen and Nonconformists decided that an appeal should be broadcast for conciliation and the withdrawal of the strike.

"Inspired"
When the Archbishop put the suggestion before Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, then Leader of the Labour Party, the latter "thumped the table and said: 'It is inspired, for it puts the thing exactly in the right way.'"

Mr. Baldwin also approved the appeal, but expressed the view that complete withdrawal of the strike must precede negotiations.

All was ready for the broadcast when Sir John Reith rang up the Archbishop and said that he felt the broadcast "would run counter to his tacit arrangement with the Government about such things."

Dr. Davidson wrote in reply: "Are we to understand that if the Churches desire to put something forth their grave utterance must be subject to approval by the Broadcasting Committee?"

Truculent Ministers
An interview followed, and Dr. Davidson noted in his diary: "He certainly squirmed somewhat at what I said in my letter about the Churches being refused a hearing at a great historic juncture."

The entry added that Sir John Reith said that Mr. Churchill and Lord Birkenhead were eager for the B.B.C. to be commandeered and made a Government agency, but that Mr. Baldwin had resisted the suggestion.

Shortly before the strike was called off Dr. Davidson saw Mr. Baldwin and impressed on him "the distrust we have in the truculent and fighting attitude not of himself but of some of his colleagues. He did not in the least deny it."

The Archbishop's action created a storm of controversy. Professor Gilbert Murray and Mr. Ramsay MacDonald wrote to thank him. Dr. Benson, Bishop of Durham, complained that an impetus had been given to a "sentimental declamatory socialism as far removed from sound economics as Christian morality."

Just a princess when she visited Solomon—through their son Menelik.

"Solomon was the builder of the temple and the descendants of Menelik took Solomon's title—A lion has survived."

"Ethiopia never has been a conquering nation, but she has survived through the centuries."

Then Dr. Lamsa added: "Another thing, Emperor Haile Selassie doesn't have any Lions of Judah in Addis Ababa. Those are just ordinary caged lions."—United Press.

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BRITAIN SEEKS FREEDOM FROM OIL SHORTAGE

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Billingham-On-Tees, Eng., Dec. 1.

About 4 per cent. of Great Britain's annual requirements of petrol henceforth will be extracted from coal by the hydrogenation process at the new plant of the Imperial Chemical Industries which was inaugurated recently by Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and Sir Harry McGowan, chairman of the company.

The new plant, which is the only one of its kind on a commercial scale in the world, will make one ton of petrol from four tons of bituminous coal.

However, Sir Harry explained that it has to be a certain kind of bituminous coal and before other kinds may be commercially used, "much expensive research remains to be done." Notwithstanding that, the Billingham plant alone will require the constant services of 2,000 miners throughout the year, furnishing the 600,000 tons of coal which are converted into petrol and the 760,000 tons required for general purposes. Plant and laboratory staffs are around 2,000.

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Daily output will be 410 tons, or 123,000 gallons.

MacDonald stressed the fact that the undertaking was purely a defensive measure.

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DEFENCE REQUIREMENTS

"But the requirements of defence are quite a different matter. In the present state of the world, the nation that can defend itself is a nation that can use every particle of its influence for peace."

"Now a command of oil is essential for our defence. Of course, we could import it and store it, but that would be rather awkward for what is called our balance of trade. The prospects of finding oil in our own strata are not very bright, and it is comforting to know that at a push we can manufacture it within our own borders, and no one can say that in doing so we are menacing other countries."

I.C.I. TURNS SCHOOL TEACHER

Imperial Chemical Industries has turned national school teacher in an unusual effort to explain to the British public what this

much-discussed revolutionary technique really is. According to Imperial Chemicals, it is very simple.

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AN ADDRESS OF WELCOME to His Excellency will be presented by the Honourable Sir Henry Pollock Kt., K.C., LL.D., and the Honourable Sir Shouson Chow Kt., LL.D., on behalf of all residents of the Colony of Hongkong.

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Special envelopes will be found in the Cathedral.

The names (no amounts) will be acknowledged in the South China Morning Post every Tuesday.

The fund will be closed on December 17th and the total amount offered on the Altar on "Cathedral Sunday", December 22nd.

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The business of the Universal Rubber Factory Co. Ltd., was ordered to be wound up by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Supreme Court yesterday afternoon, on the application of Leung Luk-koo, of 322 Castle Peak Road, second floor, appearing for the petitioner, Mr. Leo D'Amada, Jr., instructed by Mr. M. A. de Silva, said the company was started in April 29 this year with a nominal capital of \$100,000, but the amount of capital paid up was only \$14,000.

The registered office of the company was at Hung Hom. The company owed the petitioner \$500 on a promissory note, and it had been ascertained that the assets of the firm were \$4,000 and the liabilities about \$25,000.

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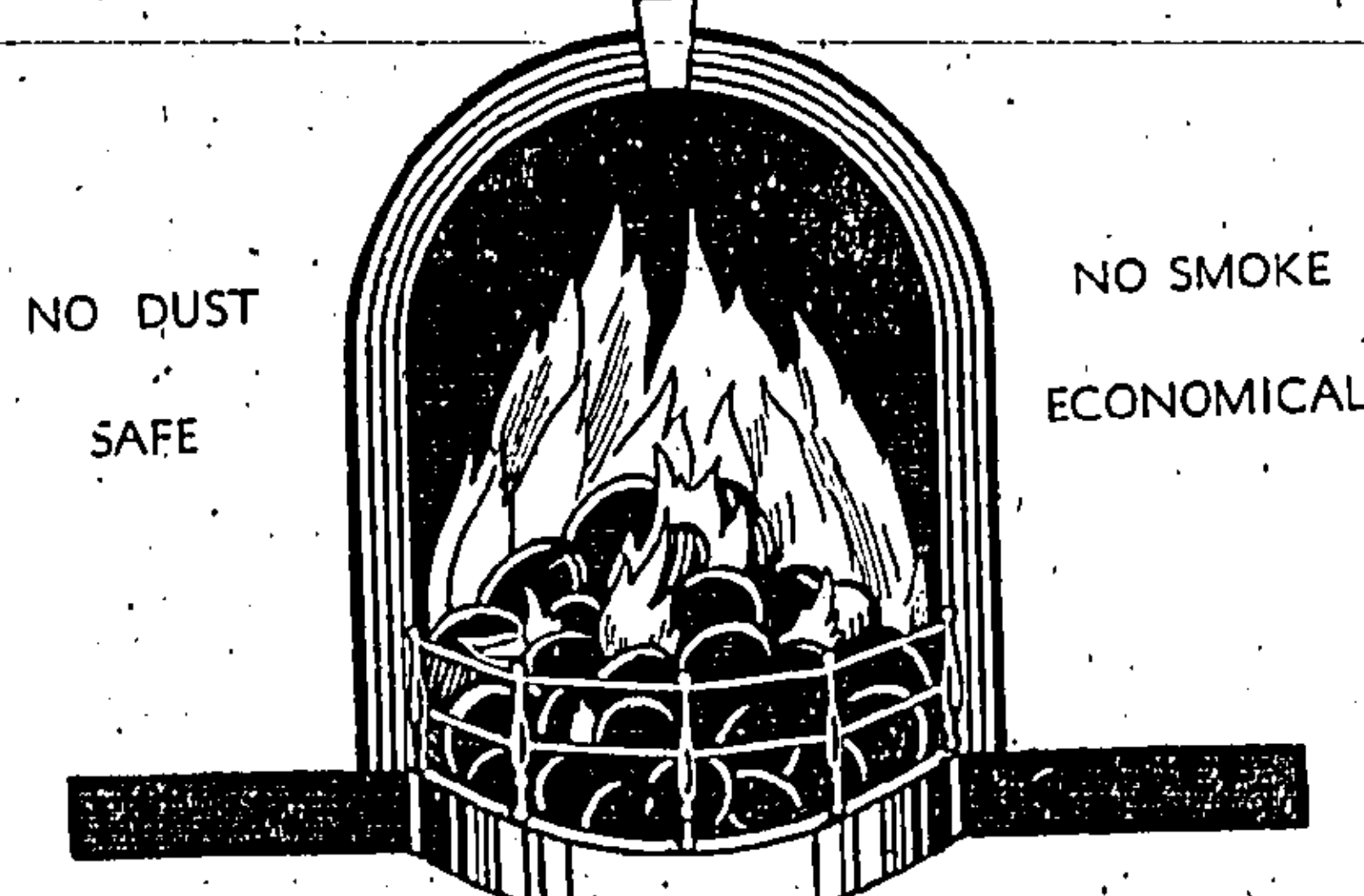
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MELROSE CRASHES

INGLORIOUS END TO FLIGHT FROM ENGLAND

Sydney, Dec. 3.

The young Australian airman James Melrose, who reached Australia from England on Friday, crashed at Bundanoon in attempting to land in a torrential rain. He was carried into a house bleeding from the face and semi-conscious. He is suffering from concussion, but his condition is not serious.—Reuter.

Melrose set out to beat the England-Australia record but remained in Malaya for a time helping in the search for King George VI.

A complete check by the R.A.F. in the position, where a plane was reported to have been seen in the jungle by villagers, indicates that the

machine was C. J. Melrose's Percival Gull, which was stranded on the beach at Parkiko, Southern Siam.

The news that a plane was down apparently spread quickly among the villages and reached the authorities in many different versions.

After having undergone many privations in the long search for Air-Commodore Sir Charles Kingsford-Smith and Capt. Pothlybridge, C. J. Melrose left Singapore on Tuesday last week for Adelaide.

Melrose has taken a remarkable film of the search. It shows the R.A.F. planes and Qantas liner searching over cloud capped mountains and dense jungles, and his own plane standing on its nose in the sea at Parkiko.

The film was shown privately in Singapore. It has been purchased by an Australian newspaper group.

TO-MORROW AT THE KING



Latest News FLASHES

Ethiopian taken by Lawrence Stalling



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INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Date and Time
Shanghai	Houtman	December 4.
Australia and Manila	Nankin	December 4.
Shanghai and Amoy	Tainan	December 4.
Straits	Hongkong	December 5.
Haiphong	Canton	December 5.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., 16th November)	Emp. of Russia	December 5.
Canton, Straits and Europe via Negapatnam (Letters only) London, 7th November and Air Mail ex "Imperial Service"—London, 16th November and "K.L.M. Service" (Amsterdam, 23rd November)	Suhsang	December 5.
Japan and Shanghai	Terukuni Maru	December 5.
Shanghai and Amoy	Dangalore	December 5.
Japan	Calecuta Maru	December 5.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 8th Nov.)	Kidderpore	December 5.
Manila	Pres. Harrison	December 5.
Japan	Pres. Jackson	December 5.
Amoy	Sydney Maru	December 5.
Japan and Shanghai	Takada	December 5.
	Tatsuta Maru	December 5.

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time
Fort Bayard	Wing Wah	Wed., Dec. 4, 2 p.m.
Swatow	Solan	Wed., Dec. 4, 3 p.m.
Amoy	Tainan	Wed., Dec. 4, 3.30 p.m.
Samahui and Vuchow	Kongkong	Wed., Dec. 4, 4 p.m.
Hohhai and Bangkok	Michael Jensen	Wed., Dec. 4, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia	Nankin	Wed., Dec. 4, 5 p.m.
	Emp. of Russia	Thurs., Dec. 5, 5 p.m.
Manila	Suhsang	Thurs., Dec. 5, 5 p.m.
Amoy		Friday.

Letters for "Imperial Service"—Terukuni Maru Fri., Dec. 6.

Letters for "K.L.M. Service"—(Due Amsterdam, 16th Dec.)

Reg., Dec. 6, 11.30 a.m. G.P.O. Letters, Dec. 6, Noon.

Reg., Dec. 6, Noon. Letters, Dec. 6, 1.30 p.m.

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	Dec. 2.	Dec. 3.
December	11.79	11.95/95
January	11.74	11.86/88
March	11.58	11.70/73
May	11.44	11.63/64
July	11.33	11.55/55
October	11.09	11.42/42
Spot	12.20	12.35

	Dec. 2.	Dec. 3.
December	13.17	12.73b
January	13.20	12.80b/83
March	13.40	12.99/00
May	13.55	13.13/12
July	13.67	13.28/27
Total sales	—102 lots	

	Dec. 2.	Dec. 3.
December	97 1/2	97 1/2
January	96 1/2	96 1/2
March	89	89 1/2
Monday's sales	—18,098,000 bushels	

	Dec. 2.	Dec. 3.
December	57 1/2	57 1/2
January	58 1/2	58 1/2
March	59 1/2	59 1/2
Monday's sales	—7,189,000 bushels	

	Dec. 2.	Dec. 3.
December	84 1/2	85 1/2
January	85 1/2	85 1/2
March	86 1/2	86 1/2
Monday's sales	—89	89 1/2

New York Silk

	Dec. 2.	Dec. 3.
December	1.91 1/2	1.92 1/2/93 1/2
March	1.85 1/2	1.87 1/2/88
May	1.85	1.86 1/2/86 1/2
Total sales	—122 lots	

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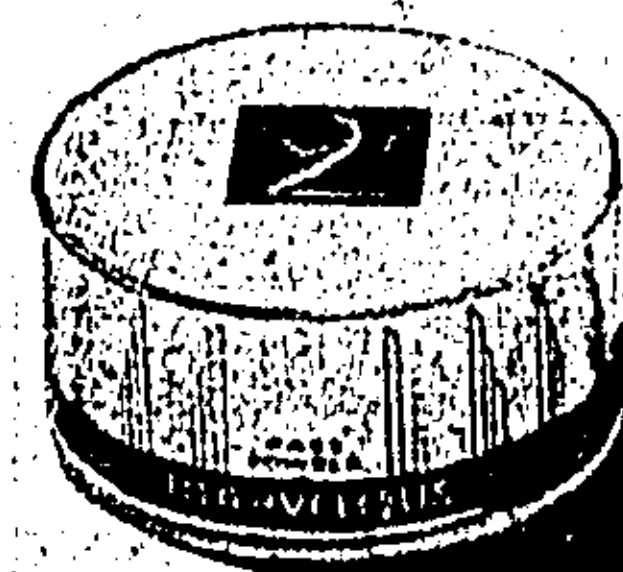
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NAVAL PARLEY PROBLEMS

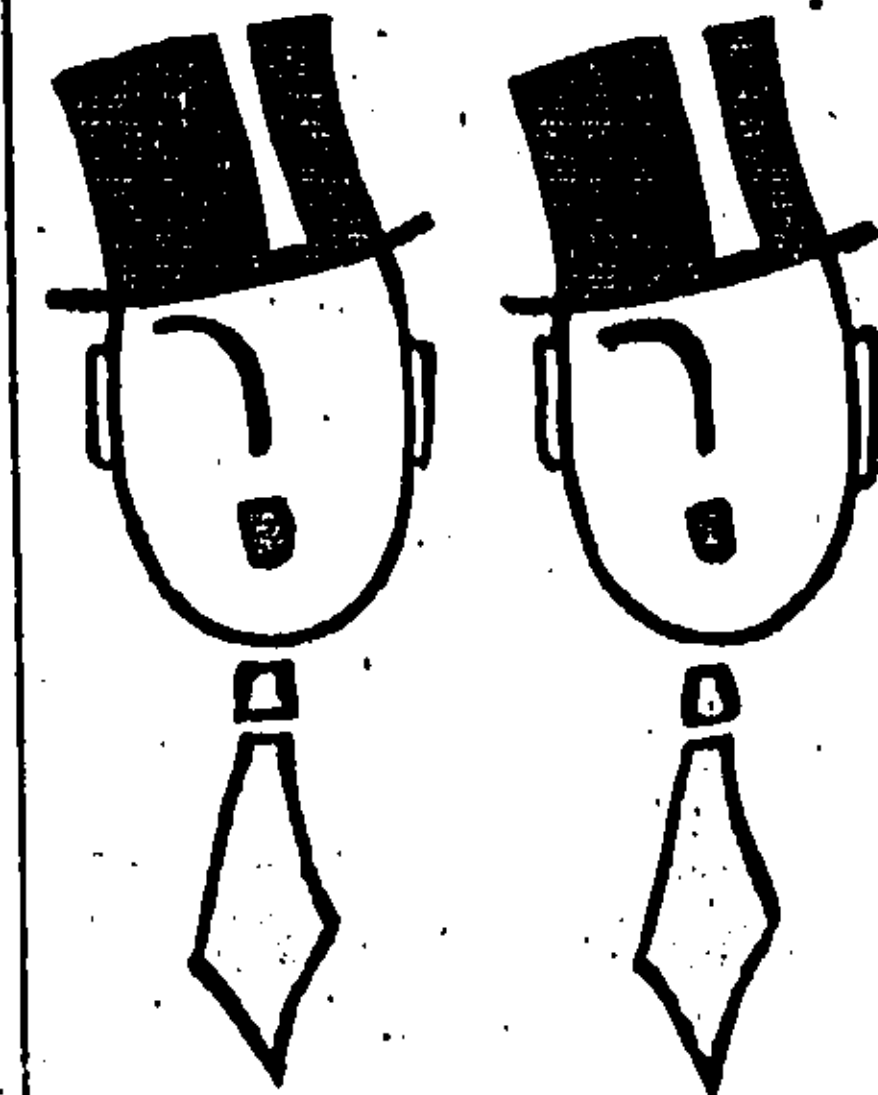
Another attempt is to be made to discover a means of effecting an agreement between the principal Naval Powers, in order to prevent an armaments race when the Washington and London Treaties expire at the end of next year. It is already realised, however, that the task confronting the delegates who are to meet in London very shortly is an almost super-human one. Prospects are that extreme difficulty will be experienced in devising a scheme which will meet the demands of all the parties. It is clear, however, that Britain has been left sadly behind in the matter of naval construction, and, even if an agreement is eventually reached, the need of modernising the British Navy and of securing a more equitable relative strength will have to be faced. That Britain has seriously reduced her first line of defence is beyond question. The facts show that the total number of ships in the Navy in 1914 was 457; to-day, it is 273. The personnel in 1914 was 146,047, compared with 94,482 at present. In the meantime, the population of the United Kingdom has increased, with nearly five million more mouths to feed, whilst the merchant fleet has decreased, and in this connection it must be borne in mind that in time of war every merchant ship sunk or captured would represent a greater loss to the supply service than was the case during the last war. Coming to the matter of disarmament, what are the facts? Upon the basis of numbers of ships in the main categories, Britain shows a decrease of 40 per cent., the United States an increase of 130 per cent., Italy an increase of 96 per cent., and Japan an increase of 75 per cent. In the matter of modernising the fleet, the British record compares unfavourably with that of other naval Powers. At the present moment, no British capital ship has been fully modernised, and the first one will not be completed until 1937. Against this we have to place the fact that the United States has modernised ten of its fifteen capital ships during the past twelve years, while of nine Japanese capital ships three have been completely reconstructed and four are in course of reconstruction, while all will have been modernised early in 1937. These facts are beyond dispute; they have been publicly stated by the First Lord of the Admiralty. It is clear, therefore, that immediate action is required if the security of the Empire is to be assured. All these factors will no doubt be stressed at the coming Naval Conference; they have a vital bearing on the issues

Hongkong has its Oxford "accent". You hear it in the Club, the Hotels, the cinemas and your office. Most people who don't use it are irritated by it—yet it is not made the butt of half as many jokes as the Scottish, the Yorkshire, the Cockney and the Australian accents. Now it's got itself into the London newspapers because the Post Office there recently stipulated that six hundred new ladies required as London telephone operators should not have Oxford accents. Rosa Macaulay, in the following article, discusses the number, nature and variety of English accents—all heard in Hongkong—and concludes that the so-called Oxford accent is still a mystery.

A VERY odd stipulation would appear to have been made by the British Post Office regarding six hundred new young ladies required as London telephone operators: they are not to have Oxford accents.

Odd, because, on the fact of it, it seems unlikely that many aspirants for this career should speak with this tongue (whatever it may be). The young ladies must be under 19, so that they cannot have had time for a University career, and where they would be likely to have picked up a University accent is not clear.

But the phrase "Oxford accent" seems beset with difficulties, and no one (even among those who use it) appears to know precisely what it means.



The Oxford Dictionary has it not, even in the Supplement, though it has various other Oxford combinations, such as Oxford Blue and the Oxford

NOTES OF THE DAY

MAN OF MANY PARTS

Canada is congratulating herself upon the appointment (now that Canadians have met the man and discovered more about him) of their new Governor-General, Lord Tweedsmuir, until a few months ago much better known as the novelist, John Buchan. The Canadian public has made all sorts of interesting discoveries about Lord Tweedsmuir. They thought of him formerly as the author of Greenmantle and The Thirty-Nine Steps and Huntingtower, or as the artist who compiled one of the most intimate and appealing biographies of Sir Walter Scott and a masterpiece on Oliver Cromwell. They may have appreciated his scholarship, but they did not know that he was one of the most brilliant students ever to come out of Oxford. He had been M.P. (Conservative, of course) for the Scottish Universities since 1927, but he had never been a politician; and Canadians discovered that. It pleased them to find that this man whom they had admired as a writer was a man experienced in administration in many ways. He had been with the High Commissioner in South Africa, Lord Milner, as private secretary; he had been on the headquarters staff of the British Army in France; he was Director of Information under the Prime Minister, 1917-1918, throughout England's blackest war days. His executive ability had been proved. More than that, he had shown a flair for diplomacy, and as a speaker he was amongst the first few in the House of Commons. He was one of those with "the great manner," unruffled even in the most heated debates, erudite, sharp to find an opening in his opponent's argument, and piercing it with cold calculation and with rapier thrusts. Such was his fluency, and the sword-like character of his repartee, that he became a much-feared speaker before many months had passed, even as a back-bencher. But Canada—French shown a flair for diplomacy, and sympathetic gentleman received his first welcome to the Dominion in which he will be the King's representative—had another surprise to come. He rose to respond to the Prime Minister's address of welcome, and was warmly applauded. But when he spoke in reply to the Quebec Premier's greeting, a deep hush fell upon the gathering at Rideau Hall. For the new Governor-General was speaking in French, the polished French which

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which will come up for consideration. Whatever else is done, Britain will have to face the modernisation of her fleet. If a satisfactory scheme of disarmament, based on the needs of the various Powers, can be devised, so much the better. But the outlook at the moment is not altogether encouraging.

Movement. (By the way, the excessive, the almost bigoted, loyalty of the makers of this dictionary to the University whose Press publishes it, is admirable; it includes Oxford, defining it accurately as an English University, and omits Cambridge, which, however, with Cambridge blue and all, is admitted, probably in response to protests from Cambridge men, to the Supplement, as if it had been founded some time after 1890 or so. Can patriotism go further?)

IN any case, views as to the nature of the so-called Oxford accent seem many and divergent. I have recently collected opinions about it. They can be tabulated roughly as follows:

(1) It consists in a narrowing and closing of vowel sounds, such as the *i* in nine, etc., which is pronounced *a*; the long *o*, pronounced approximately *ou*, the short *a* in man, pronounced *men*; and so on. In short, the accent of Penley's Private Secretary,

It would be interesting to know which, if any, of these manners of speech the Post Office has in mind in repudiating Oxford accents. (Why Oxford rather than Cambridge might be asked, when the two Universities have always spoken in the same way, being recruited from the same schools and homes. But Oxford seems always to be the generic name for the two, on the lips of non-University speakers; Oxford is, for some reason, more widely known to the general public. Perhaps it was Oxford's forty years' start that did it. Let that pass.)

THE official proceeded, it seems, to express a preference for the London above all other British accents. I cannot help feeling that this must have been an outburst of pure Metropolitan patriotism. The London (including Middlesex and Essex rural districts) seems to me definitely the ugliest British accent.

Listen to the school-children shouting at their play, the van-

And how charming it is, if one has occasion to accost a London policeman, to be answered in the speech of Lancashire, Belfast, Scotland, or with a rich Gloucestershire burr. (Nowadays one is likely enough also to be answered in what the Post Office official would call, I suppose, the Oxford accent.)

Hearing all these agreeable sounds about him, as he must, this official must be a tone-deafened patriot indeed to prefer Cockney, with its flat, unlovely twang, its thin, impoverished texture, its urban commonness, to the lilts, the burrs, the full-bodied music of much of Greater Britain.

BUT perhaps he is thinking merely of intelligibility; and, if so, it must be owned that he is right. For most Londoners, to be addressed by telephone operators in rich Wessex or rolling Northumbrian, or even in the sweet lilt of the Celtic fringe, might be disconcerting. We must be spoken to as we can understand, and have the operators our poor Cockney ears deserve.

But the Post Office official should not have said, "London girls speak best." That is to claim too absolute a merit for this wretched Metropolitan lingo. He should have said, "London girls speak most suitably for London ears."

And his reference to Oxford accents still remains wrapped in mystery. Were I an applicant, I should be perplexed to know what speech I must avoid at my audition.

The Very Idea!

FREE: A MAGIC WORD

Eddie Kelly Gets Amongst The Scotsmen

The Management of the King's and Alhambra Theatres are offering free passes to "Bonnie Scotland" to the first five Scotsmen presenting themselves in kilts at the theatres on Saturday.—News item.

That is only the start of it. Mr. Edward Kelly, with his usual brilliant forethought, has written the articles that will appear in Hongkong newspapers on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, thus scoring a notable scoop for the "Telegraph."

RIOTOUS SCENES

Killed Scotsmen Mob Police Outside H.K. Theatres

Amazing scenes were witnessed on both sides of the harbour last night, when crowds of foreigners, dressed in kilts, attempted to gain admittance to the Alhambra Theatre in Nathan Road, Kowloon, and the King's Theatre in Hongkong.

Since early Friday night, large numbers had formed queues outside the theatre, attracted, no doubt, by reports that admission was FREE. It appears that a rumour quickly spread through the gatherings that the free tickets, limited to only five at each theatre, had been obtained in some underhand way by a well-known Scotsman connected with a leading Hongkong newspaper.

Six policemen were injured before the mobs were given to understand that the tickets would not be distributed until 9 p.m.

At 8.55 p.m. a carload of late arrivals, proceeding hurriedly down Nathan Road towards the Alhambra, crashed into one of the Safety First beacons. Eighteen of the twenty-two occupants were injured.

At 8.58 p.m., just as the box offices were about to open, loud voices were heard addressing the crowds, informing them that, as a counter attraction to the invidious theatre form of advertising, the Hongkong and Peninsula Hotels were throwing their doors open free to all bona-fide Scotsmen.

Miraculously the crowds dispersed, whereupon five men, dressed in kilts, strolled casually to the box office and claimed the free tickets. The Peninsula and Hongkong Hotels were wrecked.

"I HAVE BEEN ROBBED"

Well-Known Scotsman Makes Serious Charge Against Compatriot

Interviewed by a Telegraph representative this morning, Robert MacWhirter, the well-known Scotsman from Scotland, made serious charges against a former friend, Mr. Donald MacInnery, also from Scotland.

"I didn't believe it of Donald," Mr. MacWhirter said.

According to Mr. MacWhirter, Mr. MacInnery had approached him in a

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"Boys, I'm just being perfectly frank. I haven't the slightest idea whether he was safe or not."

SPORT ADVTs.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Fourteenth Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 14th December, 1935, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Gloucester Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

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CHRISTMAS FOOTBALL PROBLEM

H.K.F.A. DEALS WITH CURIOUS SITUATION

INTERNATIONAL CHARITY CUP DRAW MADE AND THEN RESCINDED

Refusals from two teams to play representative football on Christmas Day caused no little trouble to the Council of the Hongkong Football Association yesterday when the draw for the *Standard Herald* Charity Cup Competition was being considered.

After much discussion the draw was made, but, as it did not suit the convenience of the two teams concerned, the original draw was nullified and the teams re-matched.

Mr. C. M. Manners was in the chair. It was revealed during the reading of the minutes of the various sub-committee meetings held during the course of the month that A. B. Cannell, the Navy centre-forward, was suspended for one week for ungentlemanly conduct during the recent match between the Navy and South China "A" when Cannell was ordered off the field on an allegation of violent conduct.

The Emergency Committee found Cannell not guilty of a charge of hitting Tom Kong-pak but suspended him on conditionally.

Permission was given by the Council for the Governor's Cup match between the Hongkong Football Association and the Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation on Sunday next, to be broadcast in Chinese by ZBW.

IN CASE OF ACCIDENTS

A letter from the Referees' Association requesting the appointment at each match of qualified ambulance men from the St. John Ambulance Brigade in the event of accidents occurring to players, was considered.

Various members of the Council intimated that their grounds were provided with first aid men and that it was not necessary to appoint special ambulance men.

The chairman suggested that the Referees' Association be informed that there was always someone present at matches capable of rendering first aid in the event of an accident.

It was mentioned by an officer from the Royal Welch Fusiliers that when Keneghan had his leg broken recently it took the speaker half an hour to summon the ambulance. Although a chair was improvised for the patient he was none too comfortable during that time.

Members pointed out that there were several clubs near King's Park, where the accident occurred, and that assistance should have been available much sooner than had been the case.

The draw for the Shield Competition was not made by the Council but left to a sub-committee which will meet later.

SUNDAY HERALD CUP

When the draw for the *Sunday Herald* Cup came up for consideration it was intimated that Portugal, owing to players having to attend midnight mass, and Wales, would not play on Christmas Day.

As the rules of the Football Association provide that a club or a player shall not be compelled to play any match on either Good Friday or Christmas Day it was decided that the draw be made first in case China should be drawn against Scotland, which would satisfy all teams concerned. However, China was drawn against Portugal and Scotland against Wales.

It was decided after much discussion, that as representatives of all four teams were agreeable, China should meet Scotland on Christmas Day and Portugal meet Wales on Boxing Day.

The first match is to be played on the Club Ground and the second on the Navy's Ground at Causeway Bay.

The selection of the teams for the Children's Play Ground fund match on New Year's Day between the Mainland and the Island, was left in the hands of Capt. E. Hague, and Messrs. Wong Ka-tsun (Hongkong), and J. McKelvie and C.M.S. Alves (Kowloon).

OFFICIALS LEAVING

The draw for the Lai Wah Cup Competition resulted in the Navy being given the Army as opponents on the Kowloon P.C. Ground and the non-Chinese Hill Ground on January 5.

The impending departure of Mr. Manners and Capt. Hague was referred to by Mr. T. A. Mitchell, vice-President of the Association, who

presided over the latter stages of the meeting in the absence of both Mr. Manners and Capt. Hague.

Tributes were paid to both gentlemen and it was unanimously agreed that suitable souvenirs be presented to their invaluable services to football in the Colony.

Of Mr. Manners the Chairman said that he had been a true and trusted servant of the Association for the past three years and had put in a tremendous amount of work for the game in the Colony.

Capt. Hague, said Mr. Mitchell, was the ministry of the Association. The Speaker had never, anywhere, met anybody who had done more work for a club or association than had Capt. Hague.

BRITISH POLICY

KING'S SPEECH URGES SUPPORT OF LEAGUE

The final meeting of the Cabinet before the opening of Parliament tomorrow was held this afternoon, and the terms of the King's Speech were decided on.

At the conclusion of the meeting, which lasted nearly three hours, the Prime Minister received junior Ministers, who were informed of the contents of the Speech from the Throne.

Programme Cancelled
London, Dec. 2.

Owing to the illness of the Princess Victoria, the King will not open Parliament in state tomorrow as was originally intended.

No procession will take place, and the King's Speech will be read by the Lord Chancellor.—*Reuter*.

The King's Speech
London, Dec. 3.

Shorn of pageantry by the death of Princess Victoria the new Parliament was opened this morning in the absence of the King, the Lord Chancellor reading the King's Speech.

The King's speech which opened with the words "I deeply regret that I am not addressing you in person to-day," states that the Government's foreign policy will be based on firm support of the League of Nations. They will remain prepared to fulfil co-operation with other members of the League of obligations and Covenant, especially they are determined to use at all times full weight of their influence for the preservation of peace.

In pursuance of these obligations the Government felt compelled to adopt in co-operation with some fifty other members of the League economic and financial measures with regard to Italy. At the same time they continue to exert their influence in favour of peace acceptable to the three parties of the dispute, Italy, Ethiopia and the League.

After a brief reference to the Naval Conference the speech mentions the urgent necessity to make good deficiencies of the defence forces for fulfilment of obligations under the Covenant, not less than adequate to safeguard the Empire.

Legislation was being introduced in light of modern scientific knowledge and necessary orders will be laid before Parliament for co-ordinating selling arrangements in mining industry.

The Government will continue to foster general recovery of trade, industry and agriculture, especially in areas where unemployment is greatest.

Legislation was being introduced for extension of unemployment in spinning section of the cotton industry, extension of the school age, improvement in physical, medical and educational services, and likewise slum clearance and active re-housing and maternity, including service of salaried midwives.—*Reuter*.

British Wireless adds: "My Government have issued invitations to the Governments of

TOMMY LOUGHRAN TELLS HOW AND WHY HE HATES WOMEN

(By Corinne Irwin)

SHANGHAI WINS

Annual Rifle Shoot With London Marksmen

A RECORD SCORE

For the fourth year in succession, the marksmen of the Shanghai Rifle Association last week defeated the City Rifle Club of London in their annual team rifle match. Although shooting in a poor light early in the morning, the Shanghai rifle experts, 10 of them, totalled 984 points out of a possible total of 1,050. The London Club could do no better than 955.

Last year Shanghai riddled the targets for 976 points against 955 markers of their opponents. This year's mark of 984 is the best score in the history of this dual competition.

Led by J. M. Mullen and W. C. Roach of the U. S. Marines, both of whom registered 103 points out of a possible 105, the Shanghai team displayed excellent marksmanship, averaging 98.4 points per rifle.

They shot from three ranges, firing seven rounds from each. First they fired from the 200 yards line, then 500 and 600. In all, they scored 150 bullseyes, 55 inners, four magpies and only one outer.

The complete scores follow:

	200	500	600	Ttl.
J. M. Mullen	24	35	34	103
W. C. Roach	35	34	34	103
H. E. Ruder	34	34	33	101
H. C. Bennett	32	34	34	100
J. R. Adriansen	32	34	33	99
H. Evangelista	31	35	32	98
R. M. Jordan	33	33	32	98
E. T. Hannaford	30	34	33	97
W. Read	31	32	31	94
R. Davis	32	31	28	91
	324	330	324	984

other countries which were parties to the Washington and London Naval Treaties to attend a Conference in London this month with a view to the conclusion of a new international treaty for the limitation of naval armaments.

"I have learned with satisfaction that all invitations to this conference have been accepted and I trust that its labours will be crowned with success."

Addressing members of the House of Commons the speech proceeded: "Fulfillment of our international obligations under the Covenant no less than the adequate safeguarding of my people makes it urgently necessary that deficiencies in my defence forces should be made good."

"My ministers will, in due course, lay before you their proposals which will be limited to the minimum required for these two purposes."

Domestic matters were then dealt with and the speech noted that policy of ministers, while continuing to foster general recovery of trade, industry and agriculture, would pay special regard to those areas in which the burden of unemployment was greatest and to the developments of any measures likely to be advantageous to them.

It was added that the problem of securing improved conditions in the coal mining industry was receiving the anxious consideration of Ministers, and active steps in contemplation to this end included proposals for the co-ordination of the selling arrangements of the coal industry, unification of coal royalties, and review of provisions for the safety of workers in mines in the light of modern scientific knowledge.

Other measures contemplated included proposals for making improved arrangements for assistance to the unemployed and for insurance of agricultural workers against unemployment, the introduction of a bill to authorise guarantee by the State of the loan to be raised for the purpose of enabling railway companies to carry out special developments, measure for promoting further development of civil air communications both in this country and throughout the Empire, and proposals for substantial development of educational services of the country and for the raising of school age.

London, Nov. 14.

"Tommy Loughran is a woman-hater," they said. "You go along and ask him why, before he fights Maurice Strickland at Wembley Stadium on Tuesday—in case he does not want to see anybody afterwards. Don't try to make an appointment."

"That's the legend about him," said Trevor Wignall. "He's clever at sparring. He may refuse to discuss 'woman' with you."

So, with instructions and warnings buzzing in my head, I went—wondering what a misogynist boxer would do.

We met.

"How do you do?" said Tommy Loughran in polite Philadelphia tones. (Philadelphia is one of America's "culture" cities.) "Will you have lunch with me?"

Discomfort changed to acute interest on sight of this good-looking, thirty-two-year-old heavy-weight.

Between mouthfuls of kidney omelette, I started: "About women."

"Ah, yes," replied Tommy Loughran, "women."

We were launched on the theme.

"Women," said Tommy Loughran, "I studiously avoid them, because I know they could be my weakness. I like women, you see, but I like boxing more. At the age when I was most susceptible this determination to become a great boxer was my armour."

"I will tell you a little of my beginning, and perhaps you will understand."

From the age I could talk, I wanted to be a boxer.

HERO WORSHIP

"At sixteen, I had my first fight; at nineteen I was fighting Gene Tunney, Harry Greb, fellows like that. . . . America's best boxers. I changed into a hero. The district adopted me as their local institution."

"Naturally, there were many women among the fans. When I look back now, I am amazed that I stayed disinterested. I knew part of the reason was that I was shy."

"As I grew older, I met many older women who advised and counselled me. I noticed they always suggested that I should want the things they were after." (I quirked.)

"I realised that women were much cleverer than men. They are just mistresses at intrigue, at scheming; their intuition shows them ways and methods of making a man do what they want before he knows it."

BUT LATER ON!

"Mind you, I think it is silly to go through your whole life unmarried. A woman can make you so happy."

"Marry? Oh, yes, after I am too old to box and after I have spent five years travelling around the world."

"Then I shall drop my armour and look for the woman I want. . . . I know what I want right now."

"I do not care if she is beautiful. But she must be able to stand on her own feet. . . . that is, she must have what I call an 'inner person.' She must not be completely dependent on me for everything."

"But," I objected, "what if you fall in love with some dumb little bit of nonsense before you have time to think?"

"There's always that chance," he said.

—OR ALER?

On Tommy Loughran's finger is an unusual-looking signet ring. Inside it is the smallest watch I have ever seen.

"That," said Tommy, "is from my best friend. There is only one other like it in the world. It is worn by."

He did not say "him" or "her." Now you know how much Tommy Loughran hates women. . . . or do you?

The piano and song recital in the Helena May Institute that was to be given by Madame Bonenfant and Frau Muller on Saturday, December 7, at 9 p.m., has been postponed indefinitely.

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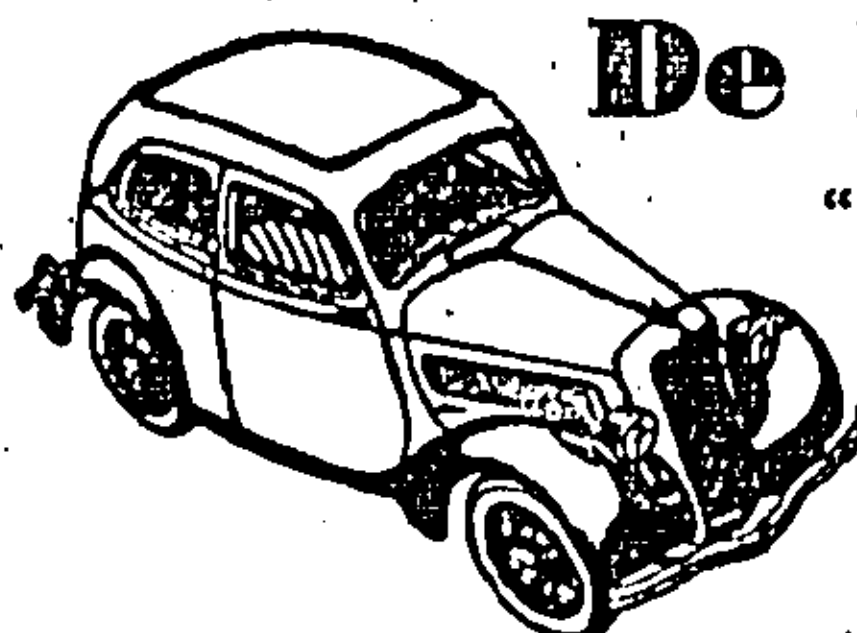
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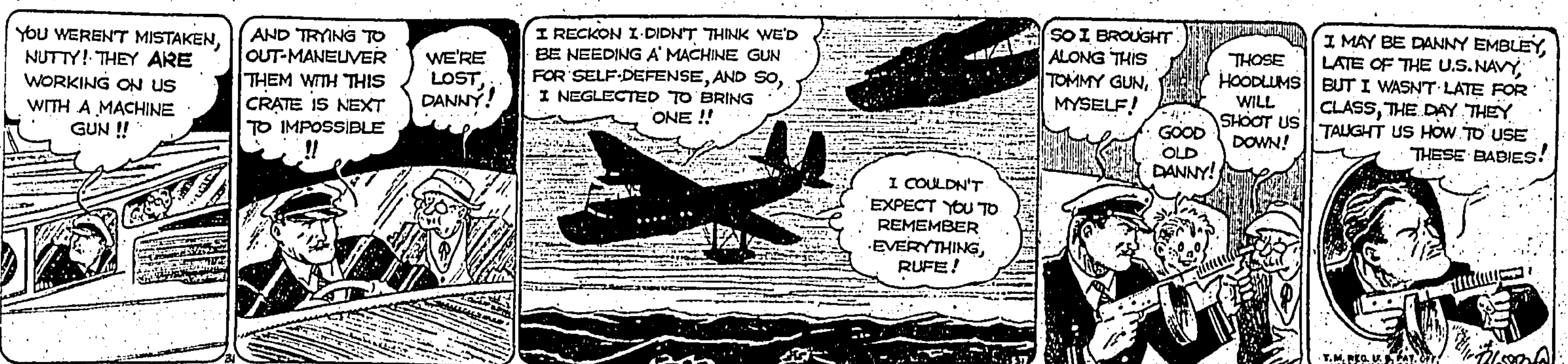
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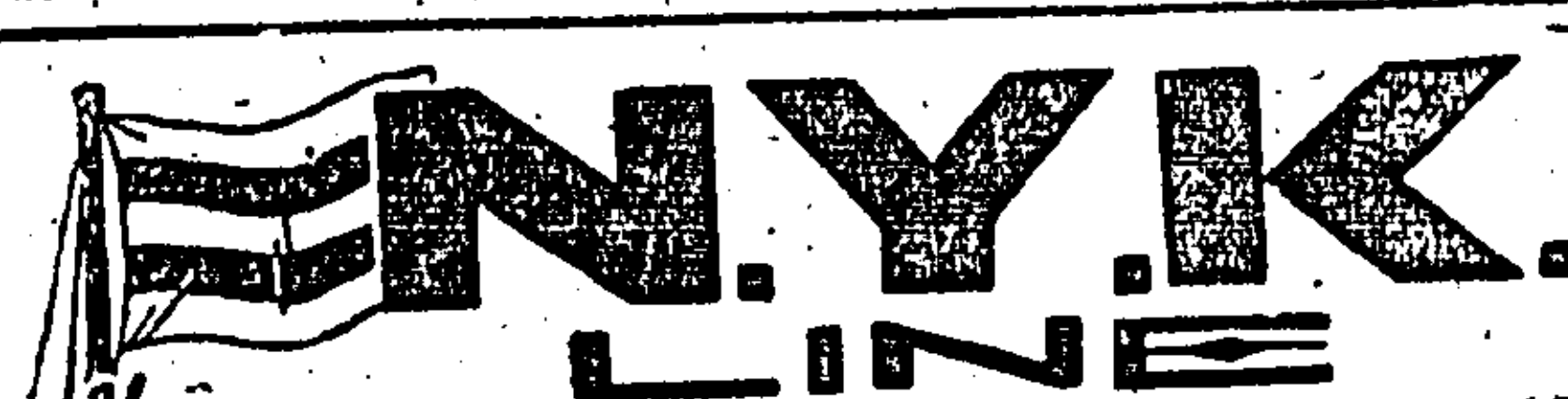
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SERIAL STORY—

DONNA of the BIG TOP

by BEULAH DOWNTON

CHAPTER XLV

Donna studied the contents of the clothes closet. What an accumulation of clothing she had! Bungalows, aprons, gingham dresses, her wedding livery. There was no need to take all that to New York. Her lips twisted as she smoothed the soft, silken folds of the garments she and Minnie had spent so much time making.

Her trunk, containing her dress wardrobe, was in the attic. It was so heavy she doubted if she could move it alone, yet to ask Minnie to help would mean starting a train of questions Donna was in no mood to answer.

She would take the car, she decided, and find someone to drive it back from Lebanon. If she faced Bill again she would be sure to break down and plead for forgiveness and she wanted to keep what little self-respect she had. There was a train for Chicago at 6 o'clock. If she hurried she could catch it!

Once out of this house she would be able to put Bill out of her heart and life forever. He would divorce her, of course. Desertion was grounds for divorce.

If she remained at the farm until the will was read Bill would have more cause for bitterness against her. Perhaps, when the first hurt was over, he would contest the will and Con David's scheming would be ruined. All of the other members of the household were down stairs—Minnie sobbing as though she had lost her nearest and dearest; Bill, hard and bitter and cold, feeling the loss of his grandchild scarcely at all in the face of his disillusion. No one heard the sound of Donna's key in the lock as she descended the stairs from the attic or heard her moan of pain as the edge of it crashed down on her instep.

The pain sickened her so that she was afraid she was going to faint. Obviously she could not move the trunk further, certainly not down another flight of stairs. She had been foolish to think that she could. Her arms were not like steel now. She did not have the strength she once had, when the weight of her own body and Madeline's seemed nothing.

She decided to take only necessities in her travelling bag and leave a note asking to have the trunk shipped later. It could be delivered to one of the hotels in Lebanon and she could send instructions later where to have it forwarded. It might be some time before she would need it, but she would have to do a lot of limbering up to make good in an act again. And bookings might not be easy to secure alone.

Alone—oh, God, how could she go on alone? When she stepped out of this house she would be leaving more than a husband behind. She would be leaving her soul, her heart—all that had made life livable. She tried to harden herself against Bill. It had been unjust for him to take Con's explanation as final, giving her no chance to justify herself. She would have to do a lot of limbering up to make good in an act again. And bookings might not be easy to secure alone.

Poor old Grandfather! Would he know that she was not with the mourners when they lowered him into his final resting place? Would he know she had crept out of the house like the thief she was? She had made the old man's last days happy and nothing could destroy the fact. But for her he would have known that the grandchild he still looked upon as a little girl had failed him.

"Some day," Donna sobbed aloud, "some day, Bill Sildal, you'll understand and be sorry you've treated me this way. Some day you'll come to me for forgiveness and I'll give it. I can be hard and bitter, too! I'm going to forget you. I'm going to be the greatest aerial performer in the world! When my name is plastered on billboards in three sheets and twenty-four sheets and I'm acclaimed in Europe, as well as here, you'll wish you hadn't driven me away!"

Then, because fate meant so little to her, because a cover was the last thing she wanted, she dropped on the floor beside the bed and, hugging Bill's pillow in her arms, moaned her love for him. Never again would her hands reach out in the night to touch his. Never again would she smooth

his dark hair or kiss his cheek or hear him whisper "What's the matter, honey? Can't you sleep?"

"Oh, Bill! Bill! I'd never seen you—! I just didn't love you so much! Why didn't you love me as I love you? Why wasn't I honest with you? I'd have lost you before we were married if I'd told you the truth, but it wouldn't have been so hard then. It's my heart I'm leaving behind, and I can't stand it. I can't stand it!"

Suddenly, through her sobs, she heard Bill's voice in the hallway below. With a shudder she recognized the name he spoke. It was that of the undertaker. Donna sat tense, the undertaker. Donna sat tense, the undertaker.

She dragged herself to her feet, bathed her swollen eyes and face and combed her disordered hair. She put on her hat and the heavy coat and mittens. The carrying the travelling bag, she descended the back stairs. At the pantry door she hesitated, wondering what she would say to Minnie if the girl inquired where she was going. But Minnie was not in sight and she passed through the kitchen unnoticed.

The bobbed stood in front of the house where Bill had left it. Donna decided it was safer to take the car and also quicker. If there was an accident and she was killed her problem would be solved.

The sun had melted the drifts considerably and she had anticipated, more easily than she had anticipated, that she would be able to take the car. Not until she passed the Adams house did she remember that she had not written the note she intended to leave.

Well, she wouldn't go back. After all, why trouble a man who despised her? She would wait for the morning train and send a boy from the hotel for her trunk. Then she could take it with her wherever she went. Wagons and machines had passed over the road since she had last travelled it and a dark ribbon was cut through the snow. She managed fairly good time. She discovered, when she reached the public square, that she had plenty of time to catch the 6 o'clock train. She drove the car into the garage adjoining the Central Hotel and asked Ben Goddard, the owner, to see that it was returned to the Sildal farm.

"Going away?" Goddard asked. "You don't drive me in. So I want you to take it back."

"How's Grandpa?" Feeling any better?"

She did not stop to think. "He's dead," she said fully.

"Dead! Ain't that something sudden? I hadn't heard anything about it."

Too late she realized that she should have withheld the news. "He died to-day," she explained.

"My land! That's awful! It must be something awful important that's taking you to Chicago when your Grandpa has just died."

"It is. Will you send the car back right away, Mr. Goddard?"

"Sure, sure. 'Nother death?"

"No."

"Gosh, you're going to catch the 6 o'clock?"

Feeling trapped, she said she was if she could get accommodations. To make good her word she walked toward the railroad station, carrying her luggage. Obviously, unless she wanted a worse scandal than the one she was sure to break, she could not stay overnight at the Central Hotel.

How foolish she had been to have told about Grandpa! Of course Dr. Freeman and the undertaker would tell the news, but they were both at the farm.

There was a hotel at the depot but it catered to the sort of transients a respectable woman would avoid. There was nothing for her to do but catch the train or stay over night at the Commercial House.

Within sight of the little red brick building, the enormity of what had happened rushed upon her with greater force. Was she really going away, never to return? Going away from all that life held dear? Had it been only a few months since the day they carried her from the train, carried her into a paradise that could not last? Bill's strong brown arms had held her on the stretcher. Grandfather, smiling, his sightless eyes

searching as though they could see, had stood on that platform to welcome her. Now Grandfather was dead and Bill worse than dead! She fought the impulse to run in the opposite direction, to get into the car and drive back to the farm. Then a shrill whistle split the air and the sound made Donna's decision. She began to run, stumbling blindly, hitting the heavy traveling bag against her legs. As the train drew to a standstill she reached the platform. There was no time to buy a ticket. A porter stopped down, lifted her luggage and helped her on the train. "Ruiaman?" he asked.

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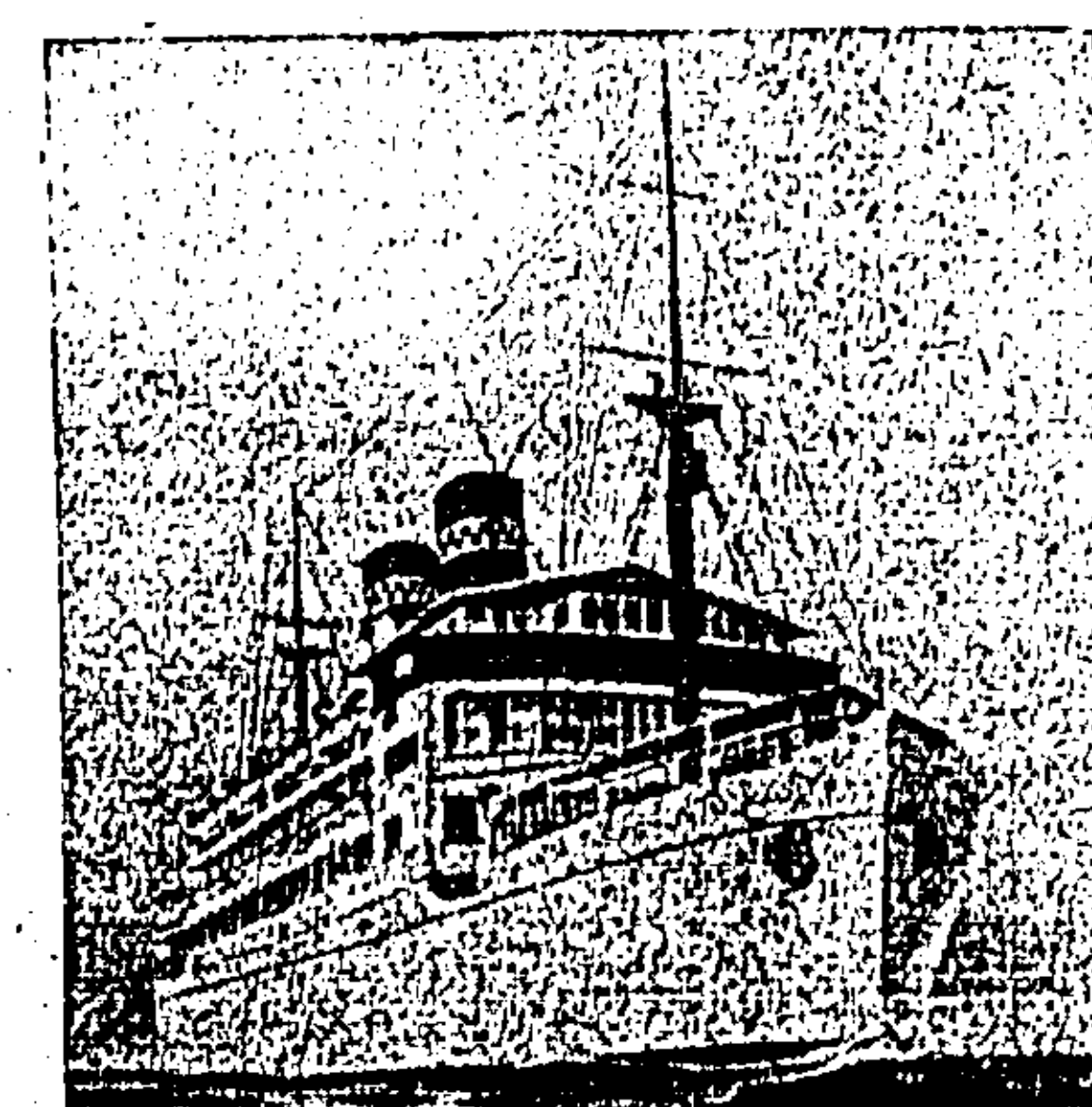
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The re-hearing was brought about by the departure from the Colony of one of the members of the original jury empanelled to hear the evidence. A new jury was sworn in yesterday and comprised:—Mr. A. G. Safford (foreman), Mr. U. M. Omar and Mr. Pan Tat-ming.

Inspector Stuart Logan was present for the Police. Dr. I. Newton, of the Government Civil Hospital, testified that the woman was admitted to hospital in an unconscious condition and died ten minutes later. The cause of death was fracture of the skull with intracranial haemorrhage. The injury could have been inflicted by some blunt, heavy and smooth object. The piece of rock produced in Court could have caused the injury.

Heard a Bang
In evidence, Yung Chi-ping, 29, rent collector, said that he was the deponent of the case. On the afternoon of September 3 he was in the kitchen when he heard a bang, and soon after leaving the kitchen he saw a lump of rock in the front part of the sitting room near the verandah, which opens out into the street. He thought the rock had been blown there because there had been blasting about that time, 4.45 p.m.

Witness saw his wife lying on the ground in a pool of blood. The piece of rock was too heavy to have been thrown by anyone. There was a cliff opposite the house. There was a cliff on the verandah, because there were the tram lines, a block of houses, a small lane and another block of houses intervening. The cliff was also a considerable distance away from the house.

Foreman's Evidence
Cheung Man-san, 40, head foreman of the Sang Lee Contractors, living at 260, Cheung Sha Wan Road, deposed that he examined the blinda and there were twenty-five in all covering an area of about four square feet. Each had a stick of dynamite and was covered with four wet gunny bags and two steel wire frames, making a total weight of 154 lbs. Extra precautions were taken owing to the close proximity of the piece of rock in Court was not like the big boulder they were blasting, which was lighter in colour and rougher in texture. He had seen rock similar to that exhibited in Court very nearly the scene of blasting.

Witness reiterated that he was sure he had never seen a stone fly as much as 100 yards. Witness had worked on the site since the work began two years ago.

Witness further stated that it was not possible to insert two sticks of dynamite into one hole. The blasts were in turn and not simultaneous. Sometimes there were as many as 35 to 40 blasts prepared in one afternoon. This number was not excessive.

The hearing was then adjourned to December 10 at 2.30 p.m.

BRITAIN AND CHINA

CHINA ASSOCIATION BANQUET

London, Dec. 3.
At the Chinese Association banquet, Earl Winterton, M.P., President, emphasised the British Government's onerous task in the Far East to correlate the legitimate interests of Great Britain with those of China, Japan, the United States, Russia and other powers.

If they sometimes were impatient with the Government they must remember the difficulties and endeavour to take a worldwide view of imperial and international politics and problems.

Lord Winterton hoped that members of the House of Commons on the Chinese Committee will make more progress than in the last Parliament, and overcome the apathy regarding the Far East.

The Art Exhibition
The British Government gives a banquet to-night at Lancaster House in honour of the Chinese Exhibition. Mr. Ormsby-Gore will preside. The guests include Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, Mr. Runciman, Lord Lytton, Sir Cecil Harcourt-Smith, and the Ambassadors of Brazil, China, France, Germany, Russia, Turkey, Sir William Llewellyn, P.A.A., the Ministers of Iraq, Netherlands, Herr Kummel, Director General of the Berlin State Museum, Mr. Visser, Conservator of the American Museum, and all directors of British national museums, libraries and art galleries.

President Lin Sen's Congratulations
Nanking, Dec. 3.
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CINEMA NEWS

NOTES FROM THE THEATRES

Bette Davis, cast at last in a role in which she will be loved instead of hated by her audiences, comes to the Queen's Theatre on an early date in the First National Picture, "The Girl From 10th Avenue," a screen drama based on the sensational stage play by Henry Davies. Miss Davis' work in "Of Human Bondage" established her as one of the screen's outstanding emotional actresses. Opposite Paul Mann in "Border Town," she has a part in which there is not only ample opportunity for her to display the dramatic ability for which she is famed but to which can bring her fine, if seldom recognised, talent as a comedienne. Supporting Miss Davis are two brilliant English actors, Ian Hunter and Colin Clive. Others in the cast are Alison Skipworth, John Eldredge, Helen Redd, Katherine Alexander, Helen Jerome Eddy, Gordon Elliot, Adrian Rosley, André Chen and Edward McVie. "The Girl From 10th Avenue" relates the adventures of a young shop girl who marries a society delinquent at a cocktail party and then makes a man of him despite his addiction to drink, wild women and foolish friends.

"No Greater Glory"

That rarity of motion pictures, a feature that went alone without the supporting catch of a triangle, is now showing at the Alhambra Theatre. Its title is "No Greater Glory," a Columbia production. This picture proves, beyond a doubt, that there are other human emotions and activities on which a picture can be based. The action of the screen story takes place in Budapest, Hungary. To possess a drab piece of city property for recreational purposes, two rival groups of youths engage in bitter, realistic combat—which has all the earmarks of a bloody war between world powers. This picture was directed by Frank Borzage—whose "Humoresque," "Seventh Heaven," "Farewell to Arms" and "A Man's Castle," are traditions among theatregoers and movie producers as well. The variety and starkness of dramatic material in "No Greater Glory" is said to have provided Mr. Borzage a wider scope for his directing genius than any other production he has attempted. It is safe to tell those who have not seen the picture, that the absence of the usual love theme will not be missed in the tense and gripping emotionalism created in the film.

"Dressed to Thrill"

"Dressed to Thrill," a bright and taut picture of lovers in Paris, filled with ingenious twists and romantic thrills, launches Tutta Rolf, Fox Film's glamorous new European star, on her American film career. Miss Rolf is coupled with Clive Brook in the romantic lead of the picture, which comes on Thursday to the King's Theatre. In a screen play bristling with the brilliant dialogue and nifty situations devised by Samson Raphaelson, Miss Rolf plays the role of a bitter woman who has revenge at her finger tips but gave it up because love proved too strong. The story of "Dressed to Thrill" stems from the days of the war. Clive Brook, a handsome former officer in the Indian army, had left behind him the provinces of France, a loving dressmaker whom he had promised to marry. Years later she turns up in Paris, a tantalizing beauty, totally unlike her former self, and proceeds to draw Brook, who does not recognize her, into the web of her charms. Under the spell of her intoxicating beauty, Brook squanders his fortune, loses his business and even his old friends. Then, when Miss Rolf feels that she has turned him sufficiently, she reveals her true identity to Brook in a surprise-filled climax that brings the story to a happy conclusion. Two new hit tunes by Lew Pollack and Paul Webster were especially written for Miss Rolf to sing in "Dressed to Thrill." Robert T. Kane produced and Harry Lachman directed the picture. Prominent in the supporting cast are Robert Barrat and Nydia Westman.

"The Secret Bride"

The returning son may get the fatted calf, but a returning daughter doesn't always fare that well in Hollywood. Glenda Farrell learned this, much to her dismay, when she returned to Warner Bros. studios after having had a three-month vacation in the East. The popular blonde actress was called back to Hollywood for an important role in the Barbara Stanwyck starring picture, "The Secret Bride," now showing at the Star Theatre. Immediately upon her arrival at the studio she was put in a prison cell. Glenda's part in the picture is that of a secretary who, through a series of circumstances, is accused of murder. The first scene filmed reveals the actress behind the bars. "A fine welcome home reception!" complained Glenda as she entered the cell to start rehearsal of the scene. "The Secret Bride" is a thrilling tale of baffling murders connected with a political frame-up. Warren William plays opposite Miss Stanwyck while others in the cast include Grand Mitchell, Arthur Byron, Henry O'Neill, Douglas Dumbrille, William Dietrich directed the picture which is based on a play by Leonard Ide.

"Case of the Curious Bride"

"The Case of the Curious Bride" opened yesterday at the Queen's Theatre to most enthusiastic audiences. Probably no screen actor fits the role of Perry Mason, the criminal lawyer-detective in the picture, so well as Warren William, First National star. He looks and acts the part. Margaret Lindsay, as the "Curious Bride" is called upon for real emotional acting and her work is convincing and sincere. Tall, stately blonde Claire Dodd, has the role of Mason's clever secretary.

SHARP SKIRMISH

ITALIANS AMBUSHED IN MOUNTAINS

Aamara, Dec. 3.
Fifteen Abyssinians, one Italian native sergeant and five Italian soldiers were killed in a sharp encounter between a battalion of native troops and a band of Itaa Seyoum's forces at Alemale pass, in the Tembien mountains twenty miles from Makale.

The Italian natives engaged in mopping up the district were advancing cautiously through the valley when suddenly they were met with heavy rifle and machine-gun fire from the mountain sides.

The Italian column deployed and sought cover behind rocks and trees. The fight lasted several hours. The Italians claim that they gradually forced their way up the valley to the top of the ridge and with a final charge routed the Abyssinians.—Reuter.

Italian Defiance

Rome, Dec. 3.
December 18 will be celebrated throughout Italy as Wedding Day. Solemn ceremonies will be held at every War memorial and War cemetery, at which women will surrender wedding rings as a contribution to the fight against sanctions. King Victor Emmanuel has sent a substantial offering of gold and silver vases to the Bank of Italy to aid in the struggle.

Dr. Voronoff, the monkey gland expert, has sent a kilogramme of gold to the Italian Government with a letter expressing his love and admiration for Italy.

The Bank of Italy has presented Signor Mussolini with 1,000,000 lire.—Reuter Special.

swetheart. Donald Woods is the jealous second husband, while Allen Jenkins as the tough assistant and bodyguard of Mason, injects some riotous comedy into the production. Others in the cast who do exceptional work include Philip Reed, Barton MacLane, Winifred Shaw, Warren Hymer, Olin Howland, Charles Richman, Thomas Jackson and Henry Kolher. Michael Curtis, one of First National's ace mystery drama directors, has handled the picture as to emphasise every dramatic situation and to hold the suspense to the end. The picture is unusually colourful, many of the scenes being taken on the picturesque Embarcadero in San Francisco, in its Chinatown and Italian district. Tom Redd wrote the screen play.

"Call of the Wild"

"Call of the Wild" is no misnomer for 20th Century's film version of Jack London's famous classic of the Klondike gold rush of 1897, with Clark Gable, Loretta Young and Jack Oakie in its leading roles. It is showing at the King's Theatre. A story of unbridled romance which recognises only Nature's laws, it is a literal interpretation of "the call of the wild," and Darryl Zanuck, who produced the stirring saga of the last of America's great frontiers, has invested the original text with a dramatic love story. William Wellman directed the production which was filmed on the rugged, remote heights of Mount Baker, Washington. Frank Conroy, Reginald Owen, Katherine deMille, Sidney Toler and the dog "Buck," who makes his screen debut in this Joseph M. Schenck production, are also prominent in the cast. "Call of the Wild" is released through United Artists.

"Bonnie Scotland"

Again Laurel and Hardy have done it! They've produced for theatre-goers another laugh hit—perhaps their best since their advent as a team. They run the gamut from high expectations to disillusionment through the feature-length Hal Roach-M-G-M comedy, "Bonnie Scotland," which comes to the Alhambra and King's Theatres on Saturday.

Laurel, as Stanley McLaurel, is notified that he is mentioned in the will of a wealthy uncle in Scotland. So accompanied by his grandiose friend, Oliver Hardy, he arrives in the hitherland to take over the magnificent estate of the late relative. But the estate so far as Stan is concerned consists of some valueless heirlooms. After this disillusionment, the pair become involved in a hilarious situation which ends with them in India in His Majesty's Service. From this point on the two, attired in kilts, romp through a series of exciting adventures. Undoubtedly the brief separation of Laurel and Hardy last spring reacted favourably to the temperaments of the duo. At any rate, the "vacation" must have given an added zest and vigour to their respective performances, for they are the Laurel and Hardy of old—gay, rollicking buffoons. Romance finds a goodly place in "Bonnie Scotland" with June Lang and William Janney interpreting the roles of Lorna McLaurel, a sweet Scottish lass who falls heir to the bulk of her wealthy grandfather's fortune, and Alan Douglas, a poor but ambitious law clerk. Both acquit themselves with distinction and will doubtless gain much added prestige for their fine performances. David Torrence as Lawyer Miggs is superb. This veteran character actor has never had a part better suited to his peculiar talents. Anno Grey, a newcomer to American movies but a star in her own right in England, lends to the role of Lady Violet Ormsby an importance that it richly deserves and gives promise of attaining the same popularity in this country that she has enjoyed abroad. Others in the cast who are worthy of special mention are Vernon Steele; James Whinston; Fred and true comic; Maurice Black; Daphne Pollard; Mary Gordon and Lionel Belmore. For his fine direction of "Bonnie Scotland," James Horne is deserving of recognition as are the cinematographers who have turned in a splendid job. The story, an original, was written by Frank Butler and Jeff Moffitt.

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DOIHARA'S ATTITUDE WEAKENING

CHINESE GAINING CONFIDENCE

HO YING-CHING NOW IN PEIPING

VITAL CONFERENCE OF NORTHERN LEADERS

Peiping, Dec. 4.
Last night General Ho Ying-ching, Nanking War Minister, fresh from conferences of great consequence at Pootungfu, arrived in Peiping.

At his headquarters the man who is supposedly pitted against Japan's General Doihara in resisting the autonomy movement in the North, gave a brief interview to the Chinese press. He had come north, he said, at the instance of the Government to investigate the whole situation and to discuss with the different provincial authorities questions which might arise. He had no other mission and he had not yet considered whether he would take up the post of Director of the Peiping Office of the Executive Yuan.

He was not expected to see General Doihara last night, but some time to-day. If the interview does not eventuate, it is expected that Hsiung Shih-hui and Chen Yi will confer with the Japanese leader.

Local authorities are understood to have seen General Doihara yesterday, before General Ho's arrival, and it is rumoured that they found his attitude less strong than formerly. There is a general expectation of settlement along the lines suggested: that a Council similar to the Mongol Council be set up. This may be achieved before the end of the week.

CREATES CONFIDENCE

General Ho's presence creates confidence and optimism which were lacking among officials before. It is believed the courage and firmness with which the local authorities have met what practically amounted to bullying tactics of the Japanese military are beginning to make an impression, which General Ho's arrival is expected to extend still further and deeper.

It is learned from reliable Chinese sources that Major T. Takahashi the Japanese military attaché here spent an hour with General Sung Chih-yuan yesterday afternoon. The purpose of the interview was not disclosed, but it is surmised that negotiations are reaching an important stage.

Last night General Ho was closeted at his headquarters with leading Chinese military officers in a conference which lasted into the early hours of the morning.—*Reuter*.

CAREFULLY GUARDED

Peiping, Dec. 4.
Preceded by an armoured pilot train, General Ho Ying-ching's special train arrived here yesterday morning. Last night, military police had previously searched 500 welcomes including high Chinese officials and friends of General Ho Ying-ching. No Japanese officials were present.

The War Minister motored to the Winter Palace where the first conference between him and the North China leaders here will take place to-night.

In a brief statement, General Ho said: "I am here to confer with the northern leaders and to deal with unusual problems of pressing importance."

"I have not yet decided whether to assume the post of director of the Peiping office of the Executive Yuan," he said.—*United Press*.

EVERY PRECAUTION

Peiping, Dec. 4.
General Ho Ying-ching's special train brought the War Minister to the Kihnan Terminal early last night, and the station, inside the city, was crowded with heavily armed troops. Police took every precaution against trouble of any sort.

There was a large gathering of high officials at the station to meet General Ho. These included General Sung Chih-yuan, Chin Teh-chun, Hsiao Cheng-yin, Chen Yi and Hsiung Shih-hui.

After the greetings, the party entered motor cars and the long line, preceded by bodyguards, escorted General Ho to his former residence at the end of the Southern Lake of the Forbidden City.

General Ho is issuing a written statement later to-night.—*Reuter*.

PLAN FOR SETTLEMENT

Peiping, Dec. 4.
Last night's conference between General Ho Ying-ching, Sung Chih-yuan, Chin Teh-chun and other pro-

TENSION IN NORTH REMAINS

POSITION CONFUSES JAPANESE

HO YING-CHING SILENT

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Tokyo, Dec. 4.
Peiping dispatches state that the situation in North China is still tense, largely on account of the illness of General Shang Chen.

More disturbing, however, is the conference programme arranged by General Ho Ying-ching, the Chinese War Minister, with North China officials.

Japanese circles are somewhat confused on account of General Ho's failure to announce officially what programme he intends to propose to settle the disturbed politics of the country.

Meanwhile, General Sung Chih-yuan is reported to have announced that he intends to establish autonomy regarding all changes which General Ho Ying-ching has proposed.

Beyond declaring that a settlement in the North China controversy would not be difficult, General Ho has so far remained strictly uncommunicative.—*United Press*.

Peiping military leaders, lasted some hours.

General Chen Yi, who saw General Doihara yesterday, told Chinese newspapers that the National Government had evolved a plan for the settlement of the controversy which would be announced shortly.

It is learned that Tiao Ju-lin, Wang Yi-tung, Chia Shieh-yun and Chin Yung-peng, all former Peiping Government leaders, are expected to come here from Tientsin shortly. It seems probable they will be included in the membership of the suggested Council for the governing of North China.—*Reuter*.

TREATY DOES NOT APPLY

Tokyo, Dec. 4.
A Foreign Office spokesman declares that Japan has no intention of interfering in the conversations in London between Sir Samuel Hoare, British Foreign Secretary, and Mr. Quo Tai-chi, Chinese Ambassador. The spokesman added that the Nine-Power Treaty was not involved in the Northern China imbroglio.—*Reuter*.



The eastern gateway of Harar. The Ethiopians are now removing their troops from the city to protect the civil population from air raids.

SLANDER CASE DECISION

REMARK MERELY "DISGUSTING"

DAMAGES FOR ASSAULT

"It was a disgusting epithet, but not used slanderously," said the Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice Lindell, at the Supreme Court this morning when he gave judgment at the conclusion of the case in which Mrs. Yuet Ming Hamman, a Chinese woman, sued Mr. James MacPartland, a partner of Jimmy's Kitchen, Wan-chai, for \$1,000 damages for slander and assault.

Mr. W. A. Mackinlay appeared for the plaintiff, and the defendant was represented by Mr. A. C. Arculli. In her statement of claim, plaintiff alleged that defendant assaulted her on October 3 at No. 41 Lockhart Road and that he uttered a slanderous remark against her to Andy Karstrop and other bystanders. She further alleged that in consequence of the assault she suffered shock and psychic pain likely to cause a miscarriage as she was pregnant at the time of the incident.

The first witness called this morning was Mr. Hamman, husband of the plaintiff, who, when cross-examined by Mr. Arculli, denied that he was at the back of these proceedings. On October 3, after the alleged assault on his wife, he went to Jimmy's Kitchen and told defendant that he would issue a summons against him. Defendant, witness alleged, then assaulted him, and Sergeant Dixey had to separate them. Witness admitted that he did not take out a summons against Mr. MacPartland for the assault on himself.

FORMER PARTNER'S EVIDENCE
Andy Karstrop, a former partner of Jimmy's Kitchen, deposed that on October 3, between 1.30 p.m. and 2 p.m., he was at No. 42 Lockhart Road. He saw Mr. Hamman go into Jimmy's Kitchen, and he followed her when he heard voices in No. 41. He saw Mr. MacPartland with a pull of water and saw him throw the water over Mrs. Hamman, at the same time using the expression which was the subject of the charge of slander.

Witness further testified that he saw defendant striking the plaintiff with his fist, hitting her on the arm. "Mr. MacPartland: Did you do anything?"
Witness: No.
Did defendant say anything to you?
He said, "Take this . . . away."

Did you make any answer?—I said "You must not call her a . . ."
Did defendant make any answer to that?—He said "I know what I am doing."

After that, did the police come in?
After Mrs. Hamman had gone, did defendant say anything to you?
He called me back and said, "You have not seen anything. You don't understand English."

WITNESS QUESTIONED
Cross-examined by Mr. Arculli, witness said he had known Mrs. Hamman for over a year, since she joined Jimmy's Kitchen in October, 1934. He was friendly with both Mr. and Mrs. Hamman, and had known (Continued on Page 12.)

HONGKONG DOLLAR COLLAPSES

Twice Declines During Morning Session

The Hongkong dollar twice declined this morning, representing a fall of 3/8ths on yesterday's official quotations.

On opening, the official rate was 1s. 5 1/2d., a fall of 1/8th, business being done early on at 1s. 4 13/16d. Later, there was a further fall of a farthing to 1s. 4 1/2d., and business was recorded as low as 1s. 4 3/4d.

The market showed every sign of weakness, having collapsed. Chinese and the banks were keen buyers, and there were no sellers.

SHIPPING STRIKE SPREADS

FOREIGN VESSELS AFFECTED

U.S. UNIONS SQUABBLE

New York, Dec. 3.
Mr. W. Ryan, spokesman for the Longshoremen's Union, stated that the boycott in respect of ships trading with Gulf ports is now effective. Unionists would not unload any vessels of any line operating to any Gulf port, he said.

Twenty-five American and foreign lines are affected by the decision.—*United Press*.

FOREIGN SHIPS AFFECTED

Houston, Dec. 3.
Mr. Mike Dwyer, President of the District Longshoremen's Union, states that the boycott will affect the French line, the N.Y.K., O.S.K., the North German Lloyd and the Hamburg America Line. Vessels of the Luckenbach Line, however, would be worked, because the company was willing to arbitrate.—*United Press*.

UNIONS DISAGREE

San Francisco, Dec. 3.
Unionists have refused to work on ships of the Luckenbach Line, despite the fact that the District President, Mr. William Lewis, has ordered that the boycott be applied only to the Swanstock Nelson Line.

It is also indicated that N.Y.K. and O.S.K. vessels are being worked, and before vessels of all lines on the coast are tied up, a referendum will be necessary.—*United Press*.

CLIPPER ARRIVES
Midway Island, Dec. 3.
The China Clipper, arrived here from Wake Island to-day after a swift and uneventful passage.—*United Press*.

CONVICTS FIGHT FOR FREEDOM

DARING ESCAPES IN AMERICA

THREE KILLED: THREE FREE

New York, Dec. 3.
Eleven desperate convicts figured in two prison breaks to-day which resulted in the deaths of three persons and the serious injuring of three more.

The first, at Boston, was one of the most daring exploits of its sort staged in a long time. Five convicts bledged and killed a lorry driver, commandeered his lorry and smashed through three sets of prison gates in order to reach freedom.

They gained an open road, just beyond the prison's walls, abandoned the battered lorry and took to their heels.

Guards pursued, and within a short time all the fugitives were rounded up. Only one of them refused to surrender and he was shot down.

KIDNAPPERS ESCAPE
The second escape was more successful. At Muskogee, Oklahoma, four members of the notorious Irish O'Malley gang, kidnapers and hold-up men, overpowered the guards and raided the police armoury.

They seized arms and bolts, fighting a gun duel with prison officers as they ran.

One of the gangsters was shot dead, but the other three won to freedom. They are being hunted by every available officer in the state.—*Reuter*.

RUSH TO SECURE CHINA SILVER

SHIPLOAD OF BUYERS FROM JAPAN

Shanghai, Dec. 4.
The Tatsuta Maru arrived this morning, a day late, having called specially at Nagasaki to take aboard 604 Japanese third class passengers.

It is an open secret that they are making a rush trip to Shanghai to obtain silver before measures proposed by the Japanese authorities in Shanghai to check the smuggling of the metal from China to Japan can be made effective.—*Reuter*.

JAPAN'S TRADE IN BRAZIL

GROWING INTEREST IN OPENING

Tokyo, Dec. 4.
The Emperor will listen to-morrow to a lecture by Mr. Hachiburo Hiroo, chief of the recent mission to Brazil, who will describe in detail Japan's Brazilian trade relations and also the economic and other situations prevailing in Brazil.

There are many indications of growing interest in Japan's commercial relations with Brazil and the possibilities of Japanese investments there.—*United Press*.

U.S. TO SUPPLY ITALIAN OIL?

STARTLING REPORT OF AGREEMENT

STANDARD OIL COMPANY ALLEGEDLY INVOLVED

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

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Rome, Dec. 3.
The United Press has been informed by unimpeachable authority that the Italian Government has entered into a gentlemen's agreement with the Societa Italo-Americana del Petrolio, a subsidiary of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, designed to circumvent the proposed League of Nations oil embargo.

In the event of Geneva adopting oil sanctions, it is reported that the company concerned will supply Italy with all the petroleum she requires in return for a thirty year monopoly in the Italian market.

The oil would be supplied from the Standard Oil Company's wells outside the United States, chiefly in Rumania, and would be shipped from Rumania via Hungary so as not to conflict with the Washington neutrality policy.

The agreement further stipulates that shipments may be made from the Far East directly to Britain in order to avoid traversing the British-controlled Suez Canal. Thus, the Standard Oil Company's subsidiary would apparently guarantee to Italy's mechanised army in Africa a continuous supply of vital fuel oil.

BALDWIN DEFENDS POLICY

TREATIES MUST BE HELD SACRED

LABOUR CHIEF CRITICAL

London, Dec. 3.

Despite his request that his international rugby prowess be forgotten now that he was a serious politician, Mr. W. W. Wakefield, mover of the Loyal Address at the opening of Parliament, was bombarded with sporting references.

His second, Sir Charles Barrie, congratulated Mr. Wakefield on his fine run in the elections, the sort of run one might expect from a famous footballer.

Major Clement Attlee, the Labour chief and leader of the Opposition, after referring to His Majesty's bereavement in the death of the Princess Victoria, said the ball had come to Mr. Wakefield soon after he had joined the Government pack and he had immediately made his mark.

Major Attlee went on to say that the Government was treating the Covenant-breaking Italy as if she were in exactly the same position as other powers. He was unable to see how a settlement acceptable to Italy, Ethiopia and the League could possibly be reached. This was the sort of situation in which the Home Secretary might say, referring to an epidemic of house-breaking, that he hoped shortly to come to a settlement equally agreeable to the house-breaker, the householder and the Home Secretary.

INCREASED ARMAMENTS

Increased armaments, constituted the real point of the King's Speech, the rest being merely dressing and trimming, said Major Attlee.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin, the Prime Minister, after sympathetically referring to Princess Victoria's death, vigorously defended the Government's foreign policy.

He declared: "I'm going to use no chance to get this country peace instead of war."

Mr. Baldwin said the League was on its feet. If the League were able to end this present terrible dispute, every lover of peace in Europe would be grateful and thankful, providing always that the conditions laid down were the conditions obtained.

KEEPING TREATIES

Speaking of existing treaties, Mr. Baldwin said that "modification of treaties was one thing, but repudiation was another." Unilateral repudiation was another.—*United Press*.

It is understood that the Standard Oil Company, through this subsidiary, has agreed to extend to Italy credit of 1,000,000,000 gold lire, with which to purchase American oil.

The agreement would become effective when and if the League declares an oil embargo.

Announcement of the agreement, of course, will be subject to details. But after three days of careful checking the United Press staff here is confident that the information it has received is correct.—*United Press*.

CATEGORICAL DENIAL

New York, Dec. 3.

Mr. Walter Treagle, President of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, categorically denied the report from Rome that a secret agreement existed between his company and the Italian Government for the side-stepping of the proposed League oil embargo against Italy. He declares such an agreement would be impossible of fulfillment and added that it sounded like a piece of preposterous propaganda.

Mr. Treagle said as far as is known the project was not even proposed to the Standard Oil Company's Italian subsidiary whose officers "know such a contract under no circumstances would be accepted by us."—*United Press*.

LONDON SCEPTICAL

London, Dec. 3.
Well informed quarters here are sceptical of the Rome reports of an oil pact between Italy and Standard Oil Company. They contend that Rumania has already expressed her willingness to join in the oil embargo against Italy.

The exportation of United States owned oil from Iraq would be banned, moreover, it is believed.—*United Press*.

COLOSSAL BLUFF

Geneva, Dec. 3.
International diplomatic circles, commenting on the Rome report of a Standard Oil Company contract to sell oil to Italy in spite of any embargo, call the tale a piece of "colossal bluff."

They assert that if such an agreement existed the principals would not have allowed its details to be known even prior to the application of the League embargo.

The League, it is declared, could quickly check any flow of Rumanian oil through Hungary.—*United Press*.

WASHINGTON ALARM

Washington, Dec. 3.
The report from Rome of an alleged oil bargain between Italy and Standard Oil has caused consternation among officials.

The Department of State is obviously interested. But officers decline to comment.

It is reiterated that the Government is pursuing a policy completely independent of the League of Nations. (Continued on Page 12.)

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Hongkong Romance to End in London Divorce Court

MRS. C. W. A. SCOTT TO COMMENCE ACTION

FAMOUS AIR RACE WINNER MET WIFE IN HONGKONG IN 1928

A FAMOUS AIRMAN'S ROMANCE THAT STARTED IN HONGKONG IN 1927 WILL SHORTLY END IN THE DIVORCE COURT IN LONDON.

MRS. SCOTT, WIFE OF MR. C. W. A. SCOTT, THE AIRMAN WHO WAS JOINT-WINNER WITH CAPTAIN CAMPBELL BLACK OF THE ENGLAND-TO-MELBOURNE AIR RACE, IN OCTOBER LAST YEAR, HAS FILED A PETITION FOR DIVORCE.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott were married in Melbourne eight years ago. There is one child, Rosemary, aged five.

Mrs. Scott is an Australian. She is now living on Mersa Island.

PRIOR to joining Campbell Black in the Centenary air race, C.W.A. Scott was an aviator with the famous Queensland and Northern Territory Aerial Service—known the world-over as QANTAS—in Australia, regularly flying on their routes in North Queensland.

During one of his forays he paid a visit to Hongkong. Another Australian, Miss Kathleen O'Neill was also on a visit to the Colony, and the young couple met in the lounge of the Hongkong Hotel.

During the rest of their stay here they saw a great deal of each other, and travelled back to Queensland on the same liner.

Enroute to their Homeland they became engaged and the wedding took place shortly afterwards.

When Rosemary, their daughter, was born, the proud father signalled the event by making a record from Brisbane to Melbourne, being the first aviator to make the 1,040 mile trip from dawn to dusk.

Shortly afterwards, a wealthy Australian pastoralist asked Scott if he would proceed to England to fly a British-made plane to Australia. Arriving in England in February, 1931, Scott conceived the idea of trying to beat the record on the flight to Australia. Leaving Lympne at dawn on April 1, he covered the distance to Port Darwin in nine days, four hours, beating unlucky Kingsford-Smith's previous record by 19 hours. The cost of this flight worked out at barely a penny a mile.

In the Centenary Air Race, together with Campbell Black, he covered the same distance in less than three days.

A HOUSE DIVIDED

EVEN SOLOMON COULD NOT DO BETTER

Two naturalised Italians who owned a 20 ft. by 10 ft. wooden hut on the mine field at Mt. Isa, Queensland, quarrelled violently.

They decided to separate, but neither would buy out the other. Further fistfights produced negative results. So they decided, says *Austral News*, to halve the hut.

The centre was measured exactly, and the centre sheets of iron were removed. The hut was sawn in two, and each man has now taken his piece away.

Much Discussed Film For Local Release

"MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM" BOOKED

HONGKONG will see the much discussed Max Reinhardt production "A Midsummer Night's Dream," according to Mr. J. Noronha, Manager of the Queen's Theatre, who has just completed arrangements for the presentation of the Warner Bros. film masterpiece with Mr. Harold Dunn, Warner Bros. Far Eastern representative who came down specially to finalise earlier arrangements.

"Our present plan is to hold the premiere early in the New Year," declared Mr. Noronha, "and to present it twice daily for a limited number of days only."

"This is the first time in a number of years any screen production has been 'road shown' and Hongkong is one of the few cities that will have the privilege of seeing this production so soon. The general release date is many months in the future."

"A Midsummer Night's Dream" is the first picture ever to be made by Prof. Reinhardt, the genius who staged the mighty theatrical spectacle "The Miracle," and it was only after many months of persuasion that Warner Bros. were able to prevail upon him to film the "Dream," which he produced so successfully in Hollywood and San Francisco.

Once committed to the task, Reinhardt proceeded to surround himself with specialists who are the recognized leaders of their profession.

To stage the ballet he brought Bronislava Nijinska, whom he considers the outstanding Maitre de Ballet in Europe.

For ballerina he would have no one but Nini Theilade, protege and successor of Pavlova, and premiere danseuse of many of Europe's foremost ballets.

To adapt the music of Mendelssohn, who originally wrote the score of the stage production, Reinhardt insisted upon Erich Wolfgang Korngold, one of Vienna's most famous composers.

Then Reinhardt turned to the casting and, in this, too, he was given an absolutely free hand by Warner Bros. executives. Despite the fact that Warner Bros. roster of stars is the most complete in the history of motion pictures, Reinhardt was given carte blanche to employ any players available and it was only after repeated tests that he chose for the key roles James Cagney, Joe E. Brown, Dick Powell, Jean Muir, Victor Jory, Verree Teasdale, Hugh Herbert, Anita Louise, Frank McHugh, Ross Alexander, Ian Hunter, Mickey Rooney, Olivia de Havilland and Grant Mitchell.



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THE fleet of large flying-boats now ordered by Imperial Airways will offer a standard of passenger comfort surpassing anything yet attempted in air craft.

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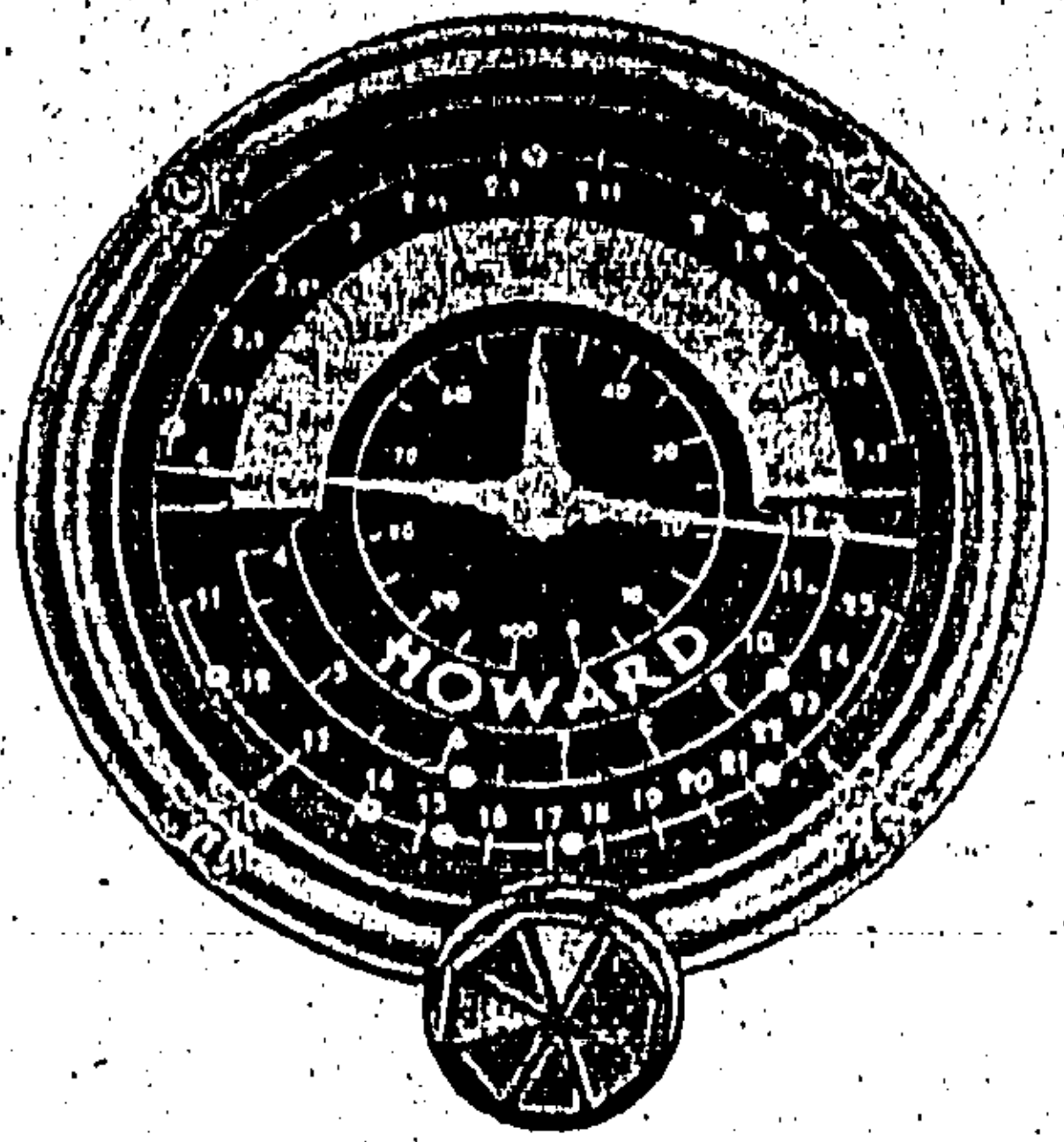
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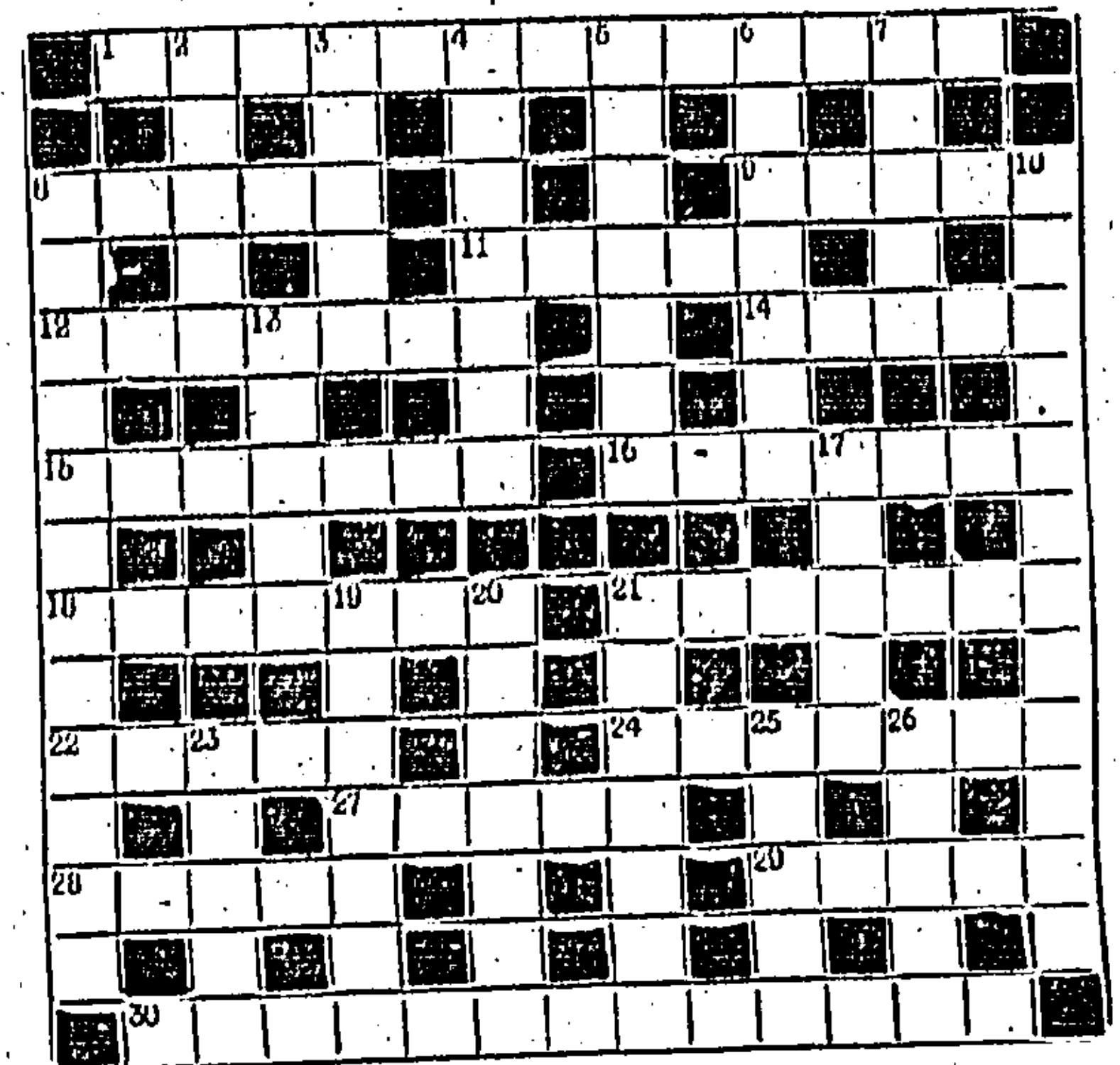
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- 9 Eurasian mountains.
- 11 She was in "The Last Days of Pompeii."
- 12 Worked in the States.
- 14 Discourse subject.
- 15 This one holds water, if you like.
- 16 Adoring (anag.).
- 18 No the chantant, it's only pulling your leg.
- 21 Foreign dignitary.
- 22 He took tobacco to France.
- 24 Many smokers have done this up.
- 27 She took a lot from Nellie in "Water Babies."
- 28 When it is, a frock will shine.
- 29 There are locks on its banks.
- 30 The sort of question arising between us and France.

DOWN

- 2 Nawab.
- 3 Turn it other way, it will turn half rotten.
- 4 A hat has; but give it up.
- 5 Acting like a shepherd.
- 6 Smith Minor's "mongerie lion."
- 7 Long walk, or long walker.
- 8 Dateless nice (anag.).
- 10 Leaders don't like playing this

- 13 instrument (two words, 6, 6).
- 17 17th Century prominent conspirator.
- 17 Loathed going up (rev.).
- 19 Stained.
- 20 This ship held only a bit more than four quarts.
- 21 Fitchet, better unstroked.
- 23 Thinner than cotton, this place.
- 25 Small lizard, not unlike a chameleon.
- 26 These islands were friendly once.

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ESPIONAGE CHARGE

GERMAN NOVELIST SENT FOR TRIAL

London, Dec. 3.
Dr. Hermann Gortz, the German novelist and ex-officer of the Air Force, who was brought before

the Margate Magistrates on November 26 on a charge of espionage at various British R.A.F. Aerodromes, has been committed to stand his trial at the Old Bailey.

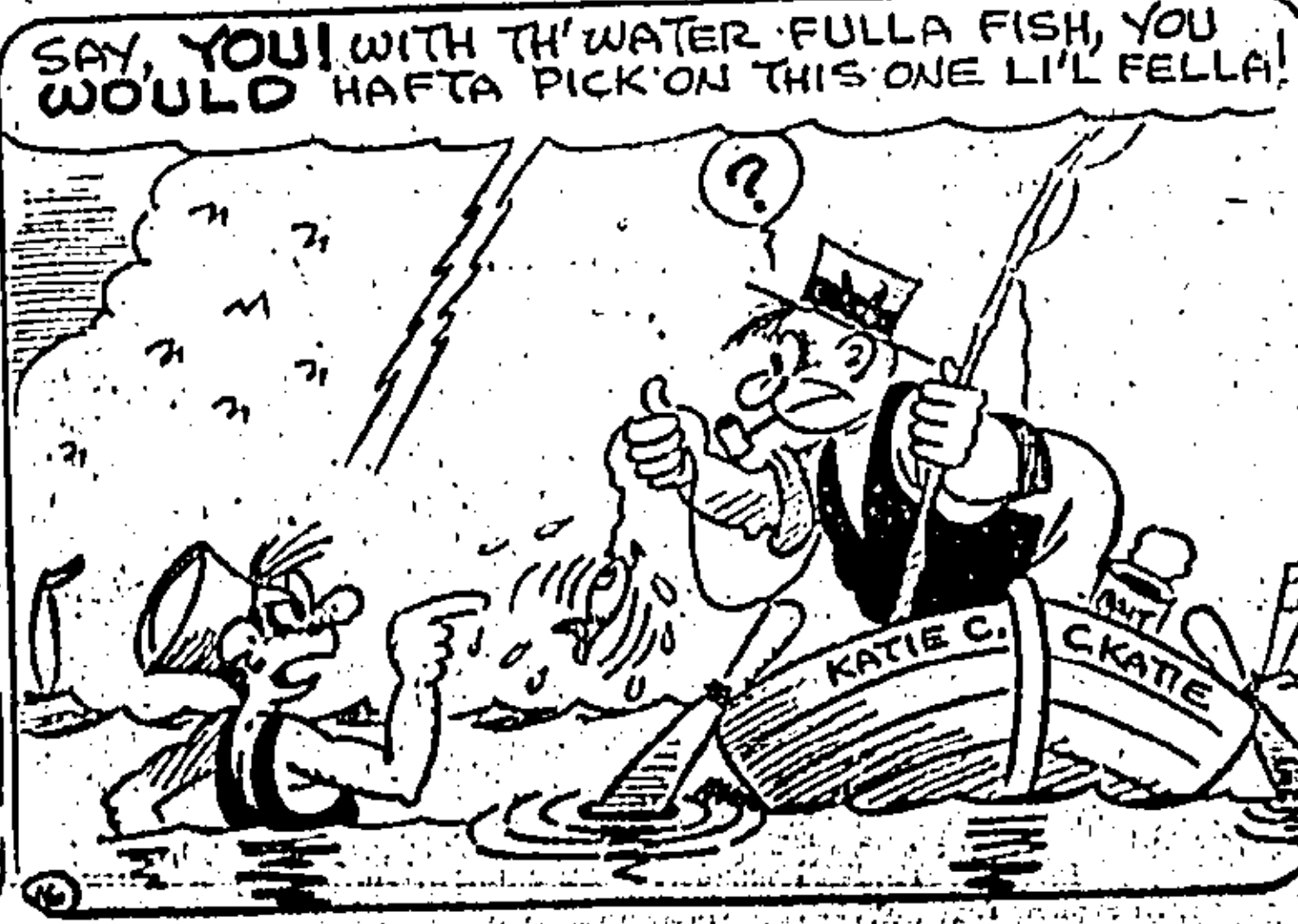
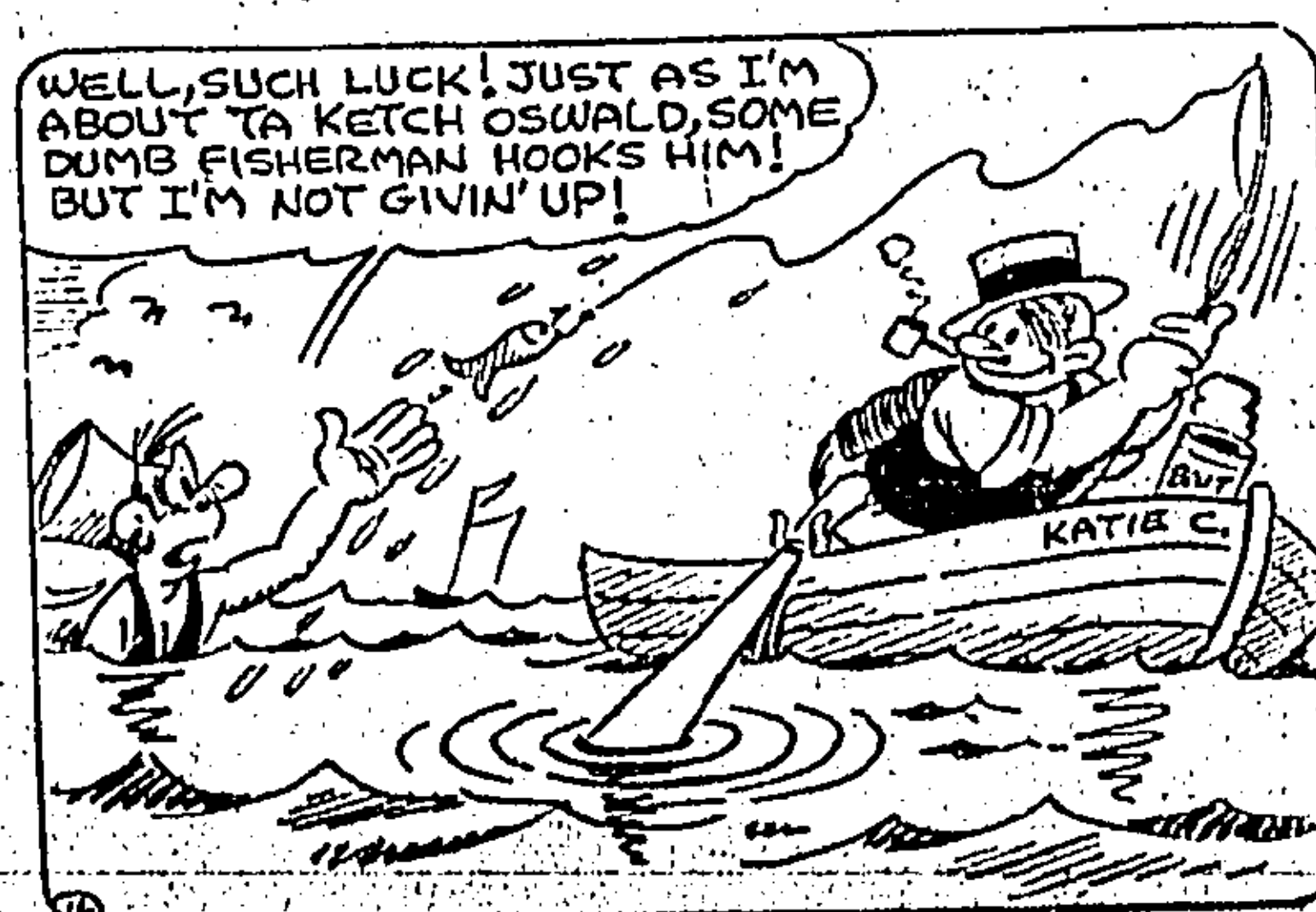
The accused said: "I do not feel guilty."
At the previous hearing the prisoner declared that he was only collecting material for a novel—*Reuter*.

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The new Duchess of Gloucester, Lady Alice Scott (Left) and her sister, Lady Margaret Hawkins, arriving in London by aeroplane from Bowhill, Selkirk, estate of the late Duke of Buccleuch.

BRITAIN SEEKS
FREEDOM FROM
OIL SHORTAGESHE IS TURNING TO COAL TO
MAKE HERSELF INDEPENDENT

Billingham-On-Tees, Eng., Dec. 1.

About 4 per cent. of Great Britain's annual requirements of petrol henceforth will be extracted from coal by the hydrogenation process at the new plant of the Imperial Chemical Industries which was inaugurated recently by Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and Sir Harry McGowan, chairman of the company.

The new plant, which is the only one of its kind on a commercial scale in the world, will make one ton of petrol from four tons of bituminous coal.

However, Sir Harry explained that it has to be a certain kind of bituminous coal and before other kinds may be commercially used, "much expensive research remains to be done." Notwithstanding that, the Billingham plant alone will require the constant services of 2,000 miners throughout the year, furnishing the 600,000 tons of coal which are converted into petrol and the 750,000 tons required for general purposes. Plant and laboratory staffs are around 2,000.

PRODUCES 410 TONS DAILY

Daily output will be 410 tons, or 123,000 gallons.

MacDonald stressed the fact that the undertaking was purely a defensive measure.

"I see there is a hullabaloo about armaments and warlike designs," he said. "I need not tell you that so far as I am concerned, I am enlisted for peace and that I have no trust in arms for the prevention of war."

DEFENCE REQUIREMENTS.

"But the requirements of defence are quite a different matter. In the present state of the world, the nation that can defend itself is a nation that can use every particle of its influence for peace."

"Now a command of oil is essential for our defence. Of course, we could import it and store it, but that would be rather awkward for what is called our balance of trade. The prospects of finding oil in our own strata are not very bright, and it is comforting to know that at a push we can manufacture it within our own borders, and no one can say that in doing so we are menacing other countries."

I.C.I. TURNS SCHOOL TEACHER

Imperial Chemical Industries has turned national school teacher in an unusual effort to explain to the British public what this

much-discussed revolutionary technique really is. According to Imperial Chemicals, it is very simple.

PROCESS EXPLAINED TO PUBLIC

The process is called "hydrogenation" simply because the additional 10 parts of hydrogen required are taken from water. The water is converted into steam and raised to a high temperature and subjected to pressure, with the result that it "decomposes" and from the resultant gas, 10 parts of hydrogen are extracted and blown into the original 85 parts of carbon and 5 parts of hydrogen, and the answer is petrol, gurgling through the latter portion of the huge apparatus and flowing into pipes, which carry it down to the tanks of the River Tees, where it is stored until pumped aboard tankers.

COAL FIRST IS CLEANED

First stage of the process is to clean the coal until it appears to contain not more than 2½ per cent. of ash. Then it is ground into powder and mixed with oil, forming a paste which is half oil and half coal. This paste is shot into an enormously strong container already containing hydrogen.

ENORMOUS PRESSURE

In this container the mixture is subjected to enormous pressure—3,700 pounds per square inch. But it is still a mixture, and not until the temperature is raised to 850 degrees Fahrenheit does the chemical "reaction" occur and the mass turn into oil. It is not, however, uniform oil. Some is heavy, some medium, some light. The heavy and medium oils are withdrawn and again treated in much the same way.

There are other ways of making petrol. For example, benzol is now produced from British gas works and coke ovens.

The output from the Billingham plant of 160,000 tons of petrol per annum is nearly equal to that of all the other domestic producers of petrol combined.

HAWAIIAN VOLCANO MAY
SPREAD NEW DISASTER.LAST WEEK'S ACTIVITY ONLY
PRELIMINARY RUMBLING

Hilo, Hawaii, Dec. 1.

Mauna Loa volcano, Nature's mighty blast furnace, which has subsided temporarily since last week's activity, is again preparing to erupt, volcanologists predict, warning that the city of Hilo must be prepared for probably one of the greatest lava flows in Hawaii's turbulent volcanic history.

Date of the next eruption, which will be a violent one, naturally cannot be definitely set, according to Dr. T. A. Jagger, Hawaiian National Park volcanologist, but this autumn or winter is a likely time and increased activity certainly should occur by 1936, he forecasts.

The potential danger of an eruption can be changed into a spectacular attraction if proper precautions are taken, Jagger said. Already a crude road is being constructed up the northeast slope of the mountain from Kilauea, Hawaii's other live volcano, which also shows signs of imminent activity.

Jagger's department keeps a constant vigil at Kilauea and during the equinoxes when eruptions and earthquakes are characteristically active observers are stationed at Mauna Loa crater, a climb of nearly 14,000 feet from sea level. Thus the community can be properly informed of coming eruptions.

WATER SUPPLY UNPROTECTED Jagger pointed out a lava flow down Mauna Loa's north side would lap up Hilo's water supply, as it has done in the past. Steps are being taken to provide for this emergency.

He based predictions of a lava flow on years of observation, pointing out that a flow should follow within 27 months of a summit crater gushing such as spectacularly occurred in December, 1933.

Strangely, flows occur in cycles which have averaged approximately 11 years to a period. The summit eruption in 1933 was not accompanied by a flow. The last Mauna Loa flow came in 1925 when glowing torrid rivers of lava burst through the mountainside and crept down the slope to the Kona coast, engulfing the tiny fishing village of Hoopuloa. Villagers were forewarned and since lava travels slowly, they were able to escape without loss of life.

ONE RIFT BEING SEALED

Jagger believes the southwest rift in Mokuaweewe—the Hawaiian name for Mauna Loa's massive crater—is being sealed and hence the next activity will produce an outbreak on the north, toward Hilo.

Behind the spectacular eruptions lies a legend of Madame Pele, the fire goddess, which is as much a part of Hawaii's history as these mighty belching cauldrons themselves.

Hawaiians insist that prior to an eruption Pele forsakes the sacred mountainside and appears in human form. Many striking stories are related of her appearance. Before the activity in Halemau-puu pit of Kilauea crater in September, 1934, Park Superintendent E. G. Wingate was driving friends through the park after nightfall. Suddenly Wingate heard a cry, apparently from the roadside and a moment later another occupant of the car saw a figure in white, a woman, with her face pressed close to the windshield. An investigation revealed nothing.

MANY LEGENDS PERSIST

Hawaiians claim to have seen the feared and revered Polynesian goddess many times. A fisherman on the Kona coast refused some of his catch to an old woman whom he didn't recognise as Pele until after the great eruption of Mauna Loa in 1926 had engulfed his house. Pele in her wrath, he said, had destroyed his home.

Pele must not be "crossed," Hawaiians caution. Hence, when a love-crazed Portuguese youth once shot his sweetheart, hurled her body to the bottom of Halemau-puu and then plunged in after her, they were worried lest the goddess take offence. They urged removal of the bodies, a seemingly impossible task. However, park officials, anxious not to have the crater become known as a suicide pit, finally engaged a Japanese contractor who lowered himself to the bottom in a basket precariously built of chicken wire and boards and retrieved the dead lovers.—United Press.

Heroic Title
For Selassie
Proves Error"CONQUERING LION OF
JUDAH" FOUND DUE TO
SLIP IN TRANSLATION

Washington, Dec. 4.

The American public's most cherished illusion in the Ethiopian war collapsed when authorities disclosed that it is a grave, in fact, unpardonable—lexical error to describe Emperor Haile Selassie as "The Conquering Lion of Judah."

There has been perhaps no other phrase or title that impressed war news readers more vividly than the words "Conquering Lion" as applied to a slender, shadow-skinned and bearded little man so often photographed walking sedately in the streets of his capital and shaded from the sun by an old and unimpressive black umbrella.

But the trouble is that Haile Selassie's title was erroneously translated when it was copied into English. It should have read: "A lion has survived from the tribe of Judah."

Dr. George Lamsa, ethnologist associated in research with Dr. John P. Harrington of the Smithsonian Institution, disclosed to-day that the word "conquering" in the title is a complete misinterpretation and distorts the original meaning of the title, which dates to King Solomon. Instead of a roaring, ruthless beast, the title has a less blood-thirsty but nevertheless courageous origin, he said, which is in keeping with the history of Ethiopia.

The origin of the Ethiopian emperor's title may be found in the Book of Genesis and the word "lion" was merely a nickname for the tribe of Judah, according to Dr. Lamsa.

ONLY JUDAH SURVIVED The tribe of Judah earned the name in 486 B.C. Jerusalem sided with Egypt when Egypt and Babylonians were at war. The Babylonians captured Jerusalem, carried the tribesmen off to Babylon and slaughtered them. Only one survived. It was Judah.

"It was Jacob who gave the tribe of Judah the nickname of 'lion,'" Dr. Lamsa said. "It was because of their courage. He said that the sceptre shall not depart from the tribe of Judah, nor a law-giver from between his feet." That meant that the leader of Judah should be the religious and political leader of the tribes.

It was this incident and the nickname "lion" that was the source of the motto of Solomon. In the original Amharic, it read: "Lion has survived, (or prevailed) from the tribe of Judah." The word "survived"—not "conquered"—is the correct translation of the word, which is written "Notzakh" in Hebrew; "Zkha" in Amharic and "Mogha" in Ethiopian.

BIBLICAL VERSION INTERPRETED

"The princes of Judah always vigorously enforced their leadership," Dr. Lamsa said. "When the tribes of Israel were fleeing from Egypt, they arrived at the Dead Sea with their pursuers close behind. The tribe of Benjamin first attempted to cross. The sea did not open for them. The tribe of Judah stood on the shore and threw rocks at the Benjaminites until they returned. Then the princes of Judah led the way, and the sea opened for them.

SIR JOHN
REITH
'SQUIRMED'SECRETS OF RADIO
BAN ON PRIMATE
IN 1926 STRIKE

The secret history of the intervention in the general strike in 1926 of Dr. Randall Davidson, then Archbishop of Canterbury, and of Sir John Reith's refusal to allow him to broadcast an appeal for peace and conciliation, is revealed in a biography of the Archbishop, published last month.

The biographer, Dr. G. K. A. Bell, Bishop of Chester, quotes from Dr. Davidson's diary that Sir John Reith "squirmed" when the Primate protested against the radio ban.

On May 7, Dr. Bell relates, after the strike had been in progress for some days, a group of churchmen and Nonconformists decided that an appeal should be broadcast for conciliation and the withdrawal of the strike.

"Inspired" When the Archbishop put the suggestion before Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, then Leader of the Labour Party, the latter "thumped the table and said: 'It is inspired, for it puts the thing exactly in the right way.'"

Mr. Baldwin also approved the appeal, but expressed the view that complete withdrawal of the strike must precede negotiations.

All was ready for the broadcast when Sir John Reith rang up the Archbishop and said that he felt the broadcast "would run counter to his tacit arrangement with the Government about such things."

Dr. Davidson wrote in reply: "Are we to understand that if the Churches desire to put something forth their grave utterance must be subject to approval by the Broadcasting Committee?"

Truculent Ministers An interview followed, and Dr. Davidson noted in his diary: "He certainly squirmed somewhat at what I said in my letter about the Churches being refused a hearing at a great historic juncture."

The entry added that Sir John Reith said that Mr. Churchill and Lord Birkenhead were eager for the B.B.C. to be commandeered and made a Government agency, but that Mr. Baldwin had resisted the suggestion.

Shortly before the strike was called off Dr. Davidson saw Mr. Baldwin and impressed on him "the distrust we have in the truculent and fighting attitude not of himself but of some of his colleagues. He did not in the least deny it."

The Archbishop's action created a storm of controversy. Professor Gilbert Murray and Mr. Ramsay MacDonald wrote to thank him. Dr. Benson, Bishop of Durham, complained that an impetuous declaration of socialism as far removed from sound economics as Christian morality.

Just a princess when she visited Solomon—through their son Menelik.

"Solomon was the builder of the temple and the descendants of Menelik took Solomon's title—'A lion has survived'.

"Ethiopia never has been a conquering nation, but she has survived through the centuries."

Then Dr. Lamsa added: "Another thing, Emperor Haile Selassie doesn't have any Lions of Judah in Addis Ababa. Those are just ordinary caged lions."—United Press.

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War Loan 3 1/2% redm. after 1952 £105 1/4 £106 1/4
Chinese Bonds
4 1/2% Bonds 1898 £101 1/4 £101 1/4
4 1/2% Loan 1908 £96 £96
5% Loan 1912 £71 1/4 £71 1/4
5% Reorg. Loan 1913 (Ldn. Iss.) £88 1/4 £89 1/4
5% Gold Bonds 1925-27 £94 £94
5% Shai-Nanking Ry. £70 xd £68
5% Tient-Pukow Ry. £32 £32
5% Tient-Pukow Railway (Supl. Loan) £30 £30
5% Hunan Ry. £28 £28
5% Hukwang Ry. £42 £42
5% Lung-Tsing U. Ry. 1913 £18 £18
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H.K. & Shai Bk. (Ldn. Regd.) £97 1/2 £98 to 90
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THE VERY IDEA!

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great state of mind on Tuesday, and had begged the loan of his kilt.

"My 1933 moth-balls were getting pretty small, and I had not seen the newspaper reports, not having met MacWhirter for three or four days to borrow his paper."

"When he accepted the bargain without demur I should have suspected something was toward. But, I understood, I have not seen the newspaper reports, not having met MacWhirter for three or four days to borrow his paper."

"It was 8.45 p.m. on Saturday night when I heard about the free offer, and when I got along there they disqualified me because my kilt was made out of a window curtain."

Mr. MacWhirter also alleges that the moth-balls sent by Mr. MacWhirter when he returned the kilt were not new.

MYSTERY DISAPPEARANCE

Emergency Volunteer Summons Sees Entire Company Missing

During the height of the disturbance in Hongkong on Saturday night, official circles became so alarmed that it was decided to parade the Hongkong Volunteer Corps, in case of emergency.

A roll call revealed, however, that the entire Scottish Company was missing from the parade. It is feared that the members of the Company may have become involved in some way with the rioters. Search parties are now looking for the missing men.

STOP PRESS

Following cable was received late last night by Hongkong Government from new Canadian Governor General, Lord Tweedsmuir, formerly of Scotland: "Understand picture house your Colony offer free passes Scotsmen stop willing accept position Governor Hongkong Colony fed up with Canada stop Reply cheap rate.—Tweedsmuir."

	1/3	1/3
Pekin Synd	29/6	29/-
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Burma Corp.	11/-	11/-
Commonwealth Mining	54/-	54/9
R and F Contain Estates	7/3	7/6
Sparwater Options	45/-	45/-
Springs Mines	207/6	207/6
Sub-Nigel	106/3	107/6
Rhokana Corp.	67/6	68/9
Anglo-Iranian	82/6	82/6
Burmah	78/9	80/7 1/2
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SILVER EXPORT CHARGE

BAIL REDUCTION OPPOSED

The case in which two men, Wong Kan-yuen, unemployed, and The Chung-kuen, shop feli, pleaded guilty yesterday to three charges of exporting 833 pounds of silver bullion from the Colony on the Fukujin Maru for Formosa; exporting 12,945 silver dollars and exporting unmanifested cargo, namely, six cases of fish and silver, one basket of fruit and silver, and a package of silver, was mentioned before Mr. Schofield at the Central Police Court this morning when Mr. P. H. Sin, for the defence, applied for reduction of bail of \$1,000.

Mr. Sin submitted that the large quantity of silver in the hands of the prosecution was sufficient security to ensure the defendants' appearance at Court.

Revenue Officer A. W. Grimmit stated that he had been instructed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports to strongly oppose reduction of bail for the first defendant. They did not object to a slight reduction for the second accused. The Fukujin Maru had sailed yesterday before the Harbour Office authorities could board her to serve summons on the captain. The ship may return, said Mr.

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	Dec. 2.	Dec. 3.
December	11.79	11.95/95
January	11.73	11.86/88
March	11.53	11.70/73
May	11.44	11.62/64
July	11.33	11.55/55
October	11.09	11.42/42
Spot	12.20	12.35

	Dec. 2.	Dec. 3.
December	13.17	12.73b
January	13.20	12.80b/83
March	13.40	12.99/99
May	13.55	13.19/12
July	13.67	13.28/27
Total sales	—102 lots	

	Dec. 2.	Dec. 3.
December	97 1/2	97 1/2/97 1/2
January	96 1/2	96 1/2/96 1/2
July	89	89 1/2/89 1/2
Monday's sales	—18,000 bushels	

	Dec. 2.	Dec. 3.
December	57 1/2	57 1/2/57 1/2
January	58 1/2	58 1/2/58 1/2
July	59 1/2	59 1/2/59 1/2
Monday's sales	—7,189,000 bushels	

	Dec. 2.	Dec. 3.
December	84 1/2	85 1/2/85 1/2
January	85 1/2	85 1/2/85 1/2
July	89	89 1/2/89 1/2

New York Silk

December	1.91 1/2	1.92 1/2/92 1/2
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May	1.85	1.86 1/2/86 1/2
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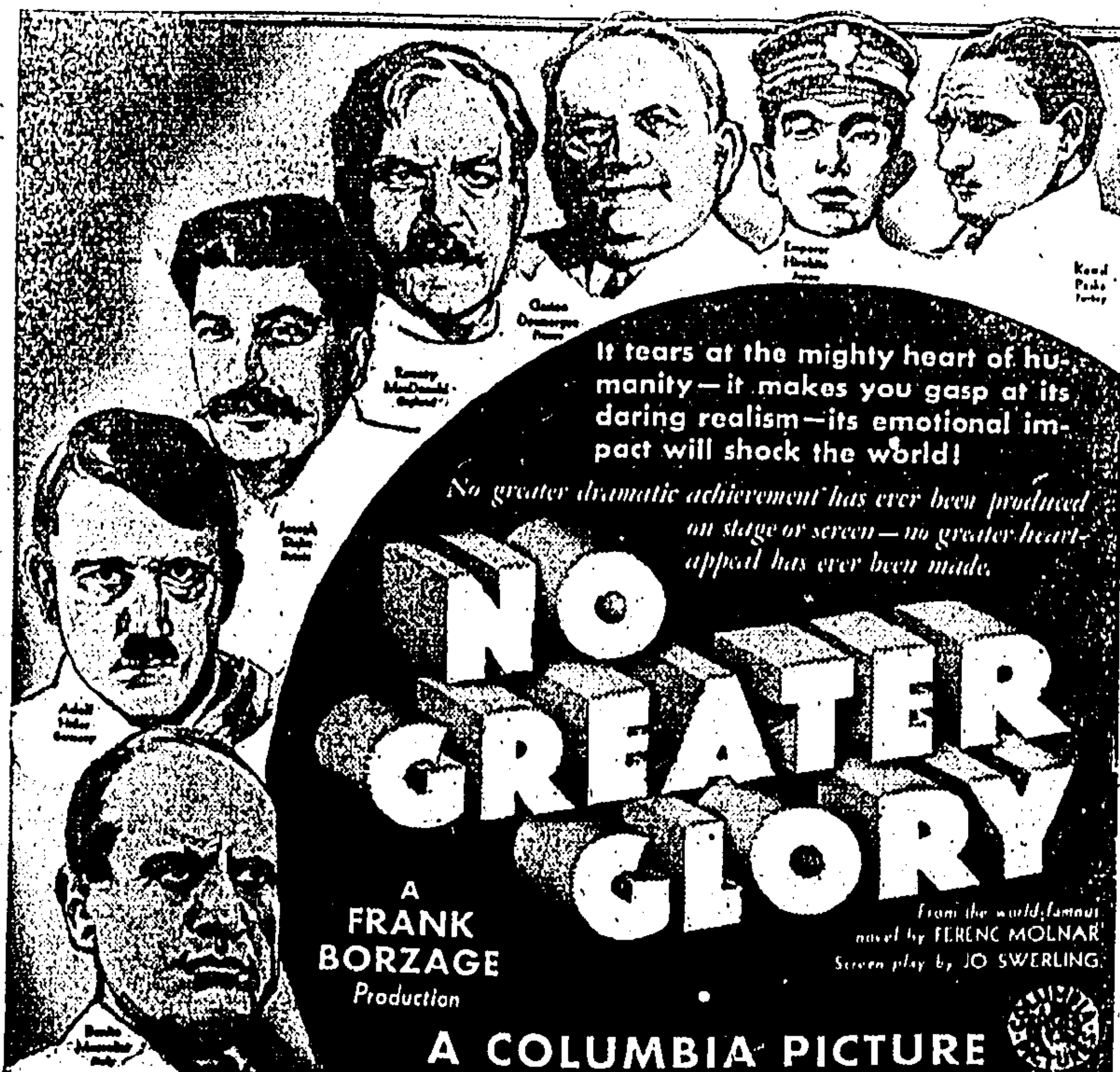
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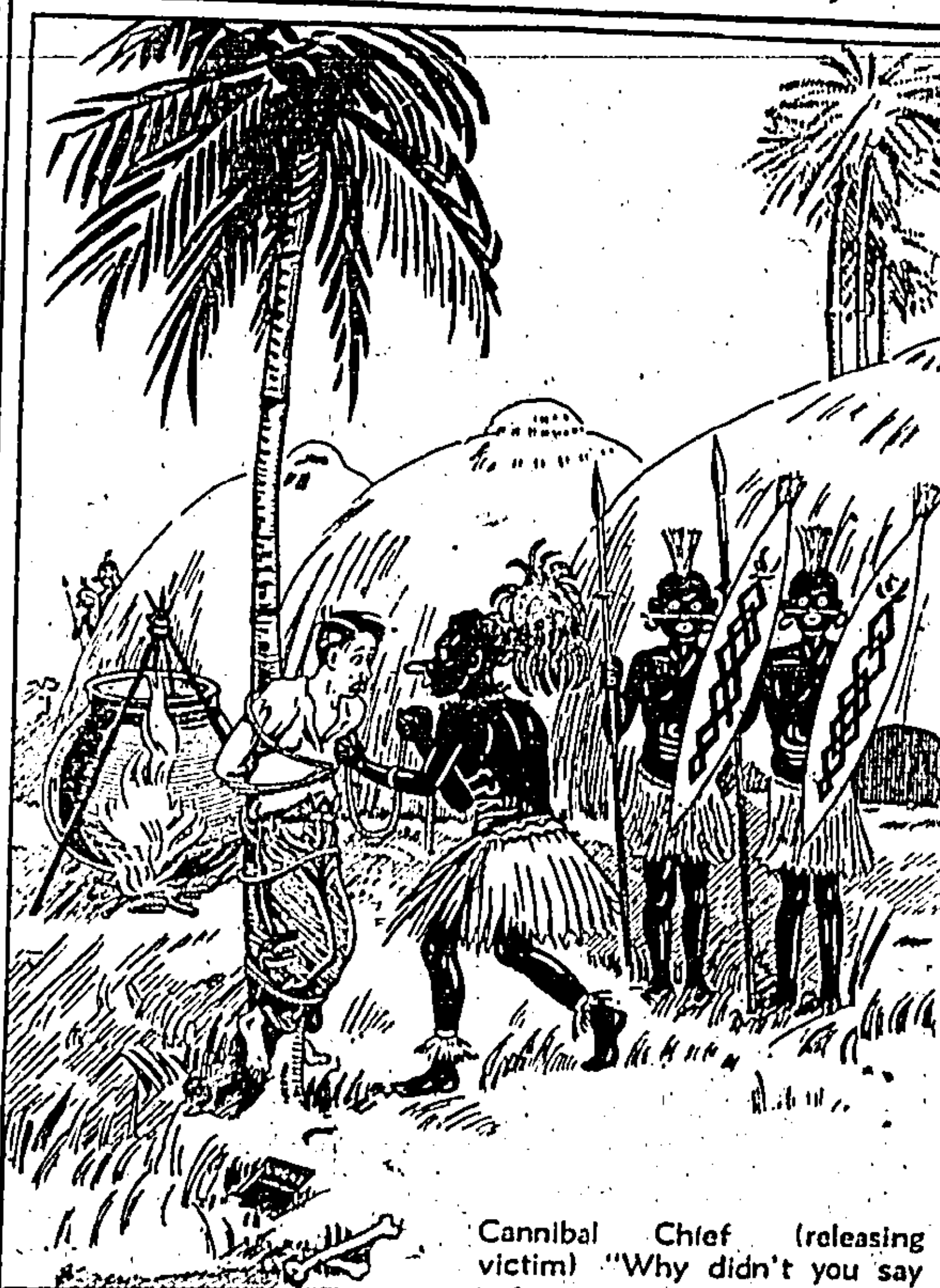
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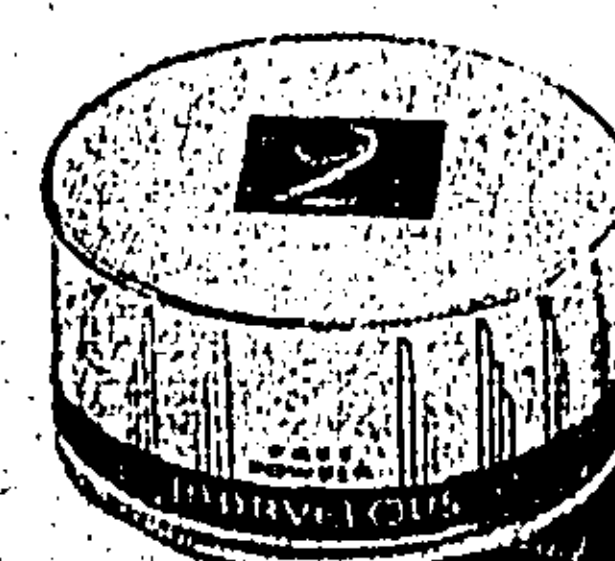
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NAVAL PARLEY PROBLEMS

Another attempt is to be made to discover a means of effecting an agreement between the principal Naval Powers, in order to prevent an armaments race when the Washington and London Treaties expire at the end of next year. It is already realised, however, that the task confronting the delegates who are to meet in London very shortly is an almost super-human one. Prospects are that extreme difficulty will be experienced in devising a scheme which will meet the demands of all the parties. It is clear, however, that Britain has been left sadly behind in the matter of naval construction, and even if an agreement is eventually reached, the need of modernising the British Navy and of securing a more equitable relative strength will have to be faced. That Britain has seriously reduced her first line of defence is beyond question. The facts show that the total number of ships in the Navy in 1914 was 457; to-day, it is 273. The personnel in 1914 was 146,047, compared with 94,482 at present. In the meantime, the population of the United Kingdom has increased, with nearly five million more mouths to feed, whilst the merchant fleet has decreased, and in this connection it must be borne in mind that in time of war every merchant ship sunk or captured would represent a greater loss to the supply service than was the case during the last war. Coming to the matter of disarmament, what are the facts? Upon the basis of numbers of ships in the main categories, Britain shows a decrease of 40 per cent., the United States an increase of 130 per cent., Italy an increase of 96 per cent., and Japan an increase of 75 per cent. In the matter of modernising the fleet, the British record compares unfavourably with that of other naval Powers. At the present moment, no British capital ship has been fully modernised, and the first one will not be completed until 1937. Against this we have to place the fact that the United States has modernised ten of its fifteen capital ships during the past twelve years, while of nine Japanese capital ships, three have been completely reconstructed and four are in course of reconstruction, while all will have been modernised early in 1937. These facts are beyond dispute; they have been publicly stated by the First Lord of the Admiralty. It is clear, therefore, that immediate action is required if the security of the Empire is to be assured. All these factors will no doubt be stressed at the coming Naval Conference; they have a vital bearing on the issues

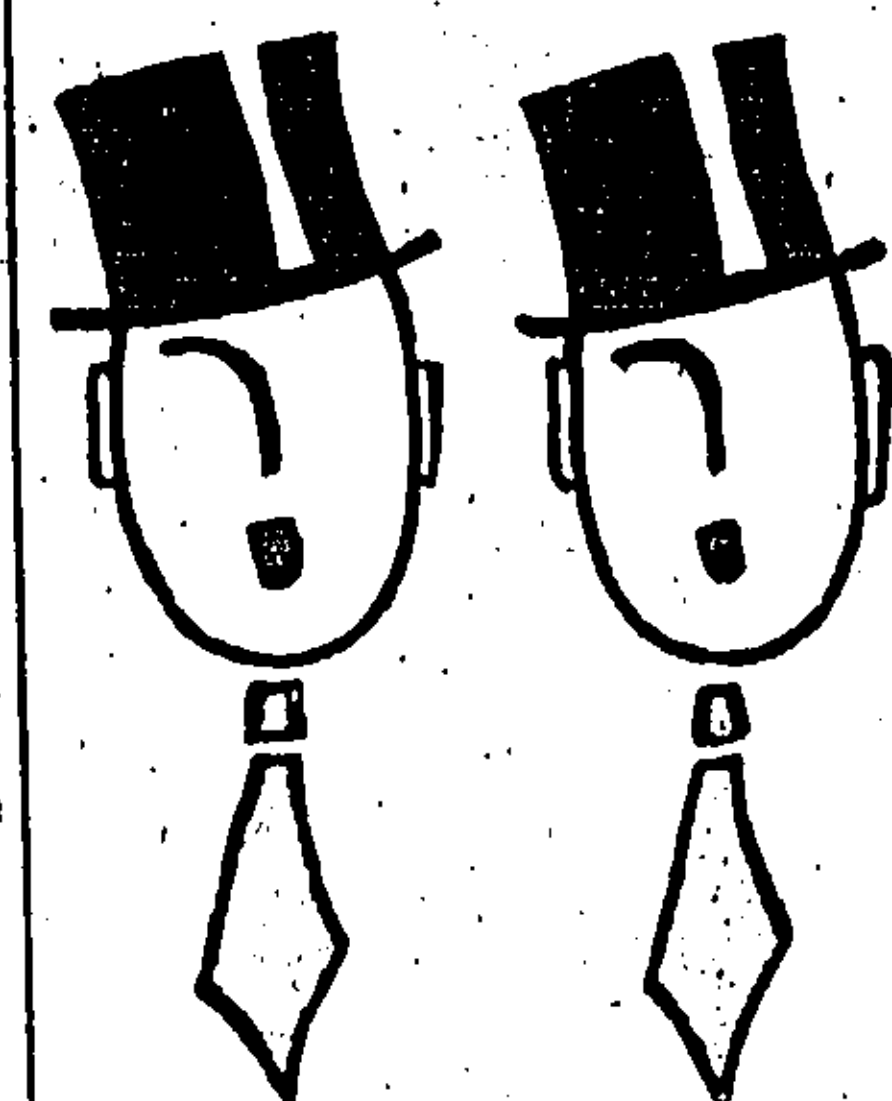
Hongkong has its Oxford "accent". You hear it in the Club, the Hotels, the cinemas and your office. Most people who don't use it are irritated by it—yet it is not made the butt of half as many jokes as the Scottish, the Yorkshire, the Cockney and the Australian accents. Now it's got itself into the London newspapers because the Post Office there recently stipulated that six hundred new ladies required as London telephone operators should not have Oxford accents.

Rose Macaulay, in the following article, discusses the number, nature and variety of English accents—all heard in Hongkong—and concludes that the so-called Oxford accent is still a mystery.

A VERY odd stipulation would appear to have been made by the British Post Office regarding six hundred new young ladies required as London telephone operators: they are not to have Oxford accents.

Odd, because, on the fact of it, it seems unlikely that many aspirants for this career should speak with this tongue (whatever it may be). The young ladies must be under 19, so that they cannot have had time for a University career, and where they would be likely to have picked up a University accent is not clear.

But the phrase "Oxford accent" seems beset with difficulties, and no one (even among those who use it) appears to know precisely what it means.



The Oxford Dictionary has it not, even in the Supplement, though it has various other Oxford combinations, such as Oxford Blue and the Oxford

Movement. (By the way, the excessive, the almost bigoted, loyalty of the makers of this dictionary to the University, whose Press publishes it, is admirable; it includes Oxford, defining it accurately as an English University, and omits Cambridge, which, however, with Cambridge blue and all, is admitted, probably in response to protests from Cambridge men, to the Supplement, as if it had been founded some time after 1890 or so. Can patriotism go further?)

In any case, views as to the nature of the so-called Oxford accent seem many and divergent. I have recently collected opinions about it. They can be tabulated roughly as follows:

(1) It consists in a narrowing and closing of vowel sounds, such as the *i* in nine, etc., which is pronounced *ai*; the long *o*, pronounced approximately *oi*, the short *a* in man, pronounced *men*; and so on. In short, the accent of Penley's Private Secretary,

It would be interesting to know which, if any, of these manners of speech the Post Office has in mind in repudiating Oxford accents. (Why Oxford rather than Cambridge might be asked, when the two Universities have always spoken in the same way, being recruited from the same schools and homes. But Oxford seems always to be the generic name for the two; on the lips of non-University speakers; Oxford is, for some reason, more widely known to the general public. Perhaps it was Oxford's forty years' start that did it. Let that pass.)

THE official proceeded, it seems, to express a preference for the London above all other British accents. I cannot help feeling that this must have been an outburst of pure Metropolitan patriotism. The London (including Middlesex and Essex rural districts) seems to me definitely the ugliest British accent.

Listen to the school-children shouting at their play, the van-

And how charming it is, if one has occasion to accept a London policeman, to be answered in the speech of Lancashire, Belfast, Scotland, or with a rich Gloucestershire burr. (Nowadays one is likely enough also to be answered in what the Post Office official would call, I suppose, the Oxford accent.)

Hearing all these agreeable sounds about him, as he must, this official must be a tone-deafened patriot indeed to prefer Cockney, with its flat, unlovely twang, its thin, impoverished texture, its urban commonness, to the lilts, the burrs, the full-bodied music of much of Greater Britain.

BUT perhaps he is thinking merely of intelligibility; and, if so, it must be owned that he is right. For most Londoners, to be addressed by telephone operators in rich Wessex or rolling Northumbrian, or even in the sweet lilt of the Celtic fringe, might be disconcerting. We must be spoken to as we can understand, and have the operators our poor Cockney ears deserve.

But the Post Office official should not have said, "London girls speak best." That is to claim too absolute a merit for this wretched Metropolitan lingo. He should have said, "London girls speak most suitably for London ears."

And his reference to Oxford accents still remains wrapped in mystery. Were I an applicant, I should be perplexed to know what speech I must avoid at my audition.

The Very Idea!

FREE: A MAGIC WORD

Eddie Kelly Gets Amongst The Scotsmen

The Management of the King's and Alhambra Theatres are offering free passes to "Bonnie Scotland" to the first five Scotsmen presenting themselves in kilts at the theatres on Saturday.—*News Item.*

That is only the start of it. Mr. Edward Kelly, with his usual brilliant forthrightness, has written the articles that will appear in the Hongkong newspapers on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, thus securing a notable scoop for the "Telegraph."

They follow:

RIOTOUS SCENES

Killed Scotsmen Mob Police Outside H.K. Theatres

Amazing scenes were witnessed on both sides of the harbour last night, when crowds of foreigners, dressed in kilts, attempted to gain admittance to the Alhambra Theatre in Nathan Road, Kowloon, and the King's Theatre in Hongkong.

Since early Friday night, large numbers had formed queues outside the theatre, attracted, no doubt, by reports that admission was FREE. It appears that a gathering of the free tickets, limited to only five at each theatre, had been obtained in some underground way by a well known Scotsman connected with a leading Hongkong newspaper.

Six policemen were injured before the mobs were given to understand that the tickets would not be distributed until 9 p.m.

At 8.55 p.m. a carload of late arrivals, proceeding hurriedly down Nathan Road towards the Alhambra, crashed into one of the Safety First beacons. Eighteen of the twenty-two occupants were injured.

At 8.58 p.m., just as the box office were about to open, loud voices were heard addressing the crowds, informing them that, as a counter attraction to the insidious theatre, free tickets advertising the Hongkong and Peninsula Hotels were throwing their doors open free to all bona-fide Scotsmen.

Miraculously the crowds dispersed, whereupon five men, dressed in kilts, strolled casually to the box office and claimed the free tickets. The Peninsula and Hongkong Hotels were wrecked.

"I HAVE BEEN ROBBED"

Well-Known Scotsman Makes Serious Charge Against Compatriot

Interviewed by a Telegraph representative this morning, Robert MacWhirter, the well-known Scotsman from Scotland, made serious charges against a former friend, Mr. Donald MacInerney, also from Scotland.

"I didn't believe it of Donald," Mr. MacWhirter said. According to Mr. MacWhirter, Mr. MacInerney had approached him in a

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and, of the proverbial stage curate.

How this speech came to be associated with Oxford, is not known. I have heard it said by Cambridge men that it approaches more nearly to a Cambridge accent of some years back, when to mince was the fashion in some circles. I have certainly heard this pronunciation occasionally used by telephone operators, so it may be the one which the Post Office now deprecates.

(2) The broad and flat vowel sounds parodied by Scots, Irishmen and northerners as *ai*; e.g., *dinnah*, *deah*, *creentchah*, etc. I have never heard a telephone operator use these; it would not, naturally, be encouraged in a profession which specialises on the trilled *r*.

(3) The broadening of the vowel *i* into something like *ah*, as *divah-in* for *divine*. This is the only one of these three accents commonly heard to-day among young University men and women. Does the P.O. mean this? It is, of course, the opposite of the *nane* for *nine* accent.

(4) The ordinary educated public school and University accent of England, called by some people "southern English." This does not pronounce the *r* except as initial or link letter, nor roll it even then, and might, therefore, be rejected by our trilling telephone service.



"Boys, I'm just being perfectly frank. I haven't the slightest idea whether he was safe or not."

which will come up for consideration. Whatever else is done, Britain will have to face the modernisation of her fleet. If a satisfactory scheme of disarmament, based on the needs of the various Powers, can be devised, so much the better. But the outlook at the moment is not altogether encouraging.

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JAPAN'S PRINCE IS NAMED

STRANGE CEREMONY IN PALACE GARDEN

FORMALITY OF ANCIENT DAYS

(Special to "Telegraph")

Tokyo, Dec. 4. Four ceremonies in connection with the naming of the newly-born Prince took place this morning.

In the first, the personal attendant of the Empress proceeded at 6.40 a.m. to Aoyama Palace garden, where the placenta was ceremonially buried, having previously been placed in an unglazed vessel and a pine tree planted over it. Later, a stone pillar was erected beside the tree.

Next came the bathing ceremony, the baby Prince being placed in a large cypress tree wooden tub. Meanwhile, Dr. Sanji Mikami, Professor Emeritus at the Imperial University, wearing an ancient costume, read the chronicles outside a bamboo screen which shielded the little Prince. Simultaneously, two high attendants sounded the strings of a large red and white bow without arrows, according to ancient tradition, thus dispelling evil spirits.

The actual naming ceremony took place at 10.30. The Imperial Household Minister, Mr. Kurehiko Yama, appointed the Grand Chamberlain, Admiral Suzuki, as Imperial Messenger to inform the Prince of his name, which the Emperor had personally written on a piece of precious Japanese paper, which was placed in a wooden box wrapped in silk crepe. At 11 a.m., the Grand Chamberlain commissioned the Empress's Lord Steward to place the box beside the Prince's bed.

The concluding ceremony consisted of informing the Imperial ancestors of the Prince's name, which was handed to the Assistant Chief Ritualist while an orchestra played ancient Japanese music. The ritualist placed the name before the Palace Shrine, where large ceremonial candles were burning, thus concluding the ceremony.—United Press.

NATION INFORMED

Tokyo, Dec. 3. Japanese newspapers throughout the country, published extra editions on the ceremonies coincident with the naming of the youngest of the prince, who will be known as Prince Michiko Yoshiomiya, meaning "Righteousness."—United Press.

ANOTHER "THIN MAN" AT THE QUEEN'S

"CASE OF CURIOUS BRIDE" EXCELLENT FILM

Hollywood has made another "Thin Man" picture. The delightful M.G.M. film, featuring William Powell and Myrna Loy, which took the Colony by surprise earlier this year.

It came unheralded, and attendance on the first day was extraordinarily poor for such a fine film. But, as people told each other about it, the attendances grew, until on the last day, the theatre was packed.

Such a picture is "The Case of the Curious Bride," now screening at the Queen's Theatre. Just as with "The Thin Man," Hollywood publicity agents do not seem to have realised what excellent material they have in this fine release, which has been allowed to reach general release without ballyhoo, even without a press preview.

Yet, with the exception of a rather anti-climatic ending, reviewer considers it every whit as scintillating as its predecessor. The plot, as in "The Thin Man," is immaterial. What makes it an outstanding film is the delicious repartee of the central figures, the slick and snappy William Powell's mannerisms of Walter Winchell, the quiet humour of Myrna Loy, who completely steals the stellar role from Margaret Lindsay, and the buffoonery of Allen Jenkins, whose knock seems to be getting into trouble.

You can't help liking this picture, even if you abhor "thrillers." People are going to tell each other about it, and, unfortunately, for some of them to see it before it is withdrawn to-night. It deserves a longer run.—N.S.

S'HA! BROKER PASSES

MR. HENRY J. CLARK KNOWN HERE

Shanghai, Dec. 4. Mr. Henry J. Clark, well-known "Shanghai" and one of the oldest members of the Stock Exchange, died yesterday in his room at the Shanghai Club.

He was District Grand Master of the District Grand Lodge of England and was well-known all along the China coast, with friends in Hongkong and Singapore, who will mourn his passing.—Reuter.

ANGLO-FRENCH PEACE PLAN

FINAL ATTEMPT TO AVOID EMBARGO BASED ON PROPOSALS ALREADY REJECTED

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

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Paris, Dec. 3.

The British and French Governments have decided to submit a new peace plan to Italy before embarking on the admittedly dangerous oil embargo.

The new plan will be based upon the proposals which Signor Benito Mussolini rejected in August, including the scheme for an International Mandate over Ethiopia, with Italy holding the dominant share. It will also include suggestions for the exchange of Italian and Ethiopian territory, with Ethiopia being given an outlet to the sea, probably through Italian Somaliland.

It is said that Signor Mussolini has shown a manifest desire to examine the possibilities.

Although it is emphasised that the plan has not yet been formally drafted, an atmosphere of noticeable optimism prevails.—United Press.

FAVOURABLE PROGRESS

London, Dec. 3. It is understood that the European conciliation talks between the British and French experts are progressing favourably in Paris.

The points upon which the experts of the two countries differ are not fundamental and they may complete their work by the week-end.

It is believed they are not working on a plan involving large territorial concessions to Italy, but are developing in detail proposals of the League Committee of Five, previously abandoned. These proposals give Italy various and considerable economic advantages, as well as concessions of a political nature in Ogaden.

It is considered significant that M. Pierre Laval, the French Prime Minister, is keeping the Italian Ambassador in Paris, Signor V. Cossiga, fully informed regarding the progress of the talks.—Reuter.

OIL EMBARGO DEAD?

Rome, Dec. 3. The oil embargo project, with which the League of Nations has recently been threatening Italy, is dead, according to opinion in authoritative quarters. This feeling is the result of the change of attitude on the part of the Canadian Government, which has disowned the action of its representative at Geneva, Mr. Riddell, who proposed the embargo.

It is just revealed that the French Ambassador at Rome had a long talk with Signor Savio, the under-secretary for Foreign Affairs. He invited the latter to submit proposals for the settlement of the Italo-Ethiopian dispute, but none have been forthcoming up to the present.—Reuter.

WEATHER REPORT

The anticyclone has weakened and pressure is now highest over the Lower Yangtze. A typhoon is situated to the S.W. of Guam, probably moving north-westward. Local forecast: N.E. winds, moderate; cloudy, probably improving.

DAY BY DAY NEWS IN BRIEF

MAN CANNOT SO FAR KNOW THE CONNECTION OF CAUSES AND EVENTS AS THAT HE MAY VENTURE TO DO WRONG IN ORDER TO DO RIGHT.—Dr. Johnson.

Wong Wan, of 285 Cheungshawan Road, was summoned before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning for issuing an undated receipt for the sum of \$30 on August 8. Defendant pleaded guilty and was fined \$10. Four other defendants were summoned for similar offences and were each fined \$10. Detective-Sergeant Whitecroft, of the Colonial Treasury, appeared for the prosecution.

Au Kit, unemployed, was fined \$250, with the alternative of three months' hard labour, by Mr. Schofield at the Central Police Court this morning when he pleaded guilty to being the keeper of a sly brothel on the first floor of 31 Wanchai Road. Defendant also admitted a previous conviction for impersonation of a police officer last year. Sub-inspector B. Thorpe prosecuted. The usual order against the house was made.

Charged with breaking into No. 159 Kilong Street, ground floor, on November 20, and stealing a cotton quilt, Ko Wah, 27, unemployed, was sentenced to two months' hard labour by Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning. Detective-Sergeant Goodwin stated that defendant gained entrance to the premises by forcing the back door. He was arrested at 8.30 last night. Defendant admitted two previous convictions. Leung Sheung, 24, shop-keeper, was the complainant.

CHINESE APPEAL TO BRITAIN

TREATY BREACHES ALLEGED

OBLIGATIONS INDICATED

London, Dec. 3. Mr. Quo Tai-chi, the Chinese Minister in London, has been in conversation with Sir Samuel Hoare, the British Foreign Minister, and Reuter learns that the Chinese diplomat has drawn attention to the extreme gravity of the situation in North China. He has stressed the severe pressure put upon China by Japan, both through diplomatic and military means.

Such pressure, Mr. Quo Tai-chi points out, constituted a flagrant violation not only of the Nine Power Pact but also of the Covenant of the League of Nations.

The Chinese Minister drew attention to Great Britain's obligations under both these documents. Sir Samuel Hoare replied in sympathetic strain and informed the Chinese Minister that conversations had been proceeding for some time between London and Washington. Moreover, he recalled that the British Charge d'Affaires in Tokyo had recently been instructed to call upon the Japanese Foreign Office and inquire regarding the position in North China and the intentions of Japan.—Reuter.

FRANCE APPROACHED

Paris, Dec. 3. The Chinese Charge d'Affaires in Paris has held a conference with M. Pierre Laval, Prime Minister of France, reportedly on the autonomy movement in North China.—United Press.

NEUTRALS WHO SELL MUNITIONS

"GREEDY AMERICANS" WARNED

PROSECUTION THREATENED

Washington, Dec. 3.

Mr. Cordell Hull, the Secretary of State today, sharply warned all firms and individuals handling arms and munitions and which have hitherto failed to register as required by the Neutrality Act.

He hopes, says Mr. Hull, that failure to register is due to inadvertence, but he asserts that after a short time defaulters will be criminally prosecuted unless they conform with the law.—Reuter.

GREEDY AMERICANS

Washington, Dec. 3. Senator Bone, speaking to the press today, threatened an investigation by the Senate Munitions Committee of the business of "greedy Americans" who were exporting arms to belligerent nations, contrary to the State Department's warning.—United Press.

BALDWIN DEFENDS POLICY

(Continued from Page 1.)

dition meant a rule of force and modern Europe was determined to prevent the tearing up of treaties.

This determination was revealed by recent events in which a country with which all other countries in Europe had been on terms of friendship, had been declared an aggressor, and economic sanctions had been applied.

With reference to the criticism that Britain had taken too prominent part in the League's work, Mr. Baldwin declared: "A country with influence like ours surely has to shoulder responsibilities which face all nations." In conjunction with other countries, he said, Britain would explore whether or not there is an honourable way of bringing cessation of the conflict on terms which commend themselves to both parties to the dispute and to the League.—Reuter.

ATTLEE'S QUESTIONS

London, Dec. 3. In accordance with precedent, the House of Commons adjourned after hearing the King's Speech, and on assembly later, the address in reply to the speech, in which the Government programme for the coming session was set out, was debated.

The Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Attlee (Labour) said it was curious that the same phrase in the speech covered the aggressor State and those which were fulfilling the Covenant, and he demanded that the House be given a full account of the whole of the proceedings in the House of Commons.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Baldwin, who followed, said he desired the fullest discussion of the very difficult foreign situation. He regretted the Foreign Secretary was confined to his home, but hoped he would attend to-morrow or the next day, and that arrangements could be made for such a discussion. In these circumstances, he would not speak at length to-day.

LEAGUE ON TRIAL

Continuing, Mr. Baldwin said the League was indeed on trial, and if it could bring this terrible dispute to an end by the method it had employed, he was sure everyone in Europe who was a lover of peace would be grateful and thankful to see it. If, on the other hand, any statesman brought this country into war by neglect of anything that he could with honour do, in conjunction with other members of the League, his name would very properly be held in execration. "It is quite true that the sanctity of treaties must be upheld, but that did not mean that any given treaty was incapable of amendment, or that it stood in its present form for all time. Modification of a treaty is one thing; repudiation another. It is repudiation that means the rule of force, and not modification by agreement. It is the tearing up of a treaty that modern Europe is determined, if it can, to prevent."

"Events this year have brought that out clearly, because there has been declared an aggressor country with whom all countries in Europe are on terms of friendship. Notwithstanding that friendship, all those nations have agreed to participate in the economic sanctions, which have been employed so far, and in considering further use of those sanctions in the future."

It has sometimes been said that this country has been putting itself too much into the foreground. This country has to play its part, and play its part with other countries. The country with its influence and its shoulders its responsibilities and then had to speak out. Just as we had done that, so, in conjunction with them, we shall explore at the same time whether there is an honourable way of bringing about a cessation of this conflict in terms that can commend themselves to the consideration of both parties in the dispute and of the League of Nations.

Referring to home affairs, Mr. Baldwin said the Government's industrial policy for the last four years had been based on attempting to create conditions of confidence, protected by moderate tariffs in which industry could thrive.

COAL DISPUTE

Referring to the coal question, he expressed the hope that the discussions now proceeding might result not merely in reaching accommodation but progress towards reorganisation.

RADIO BROADCAST

A Talk on the Dutch East Indies

RECORDED MUSIC

From Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 kilocycles): 4.7 p.m. Chinese Programme. 6.6.15 p.m. Children's Studio concert.

5.30-5.50 p.m. From the Studio. A Talk on "Food and Health" by Dr. F. I. Tsung, M.B., B.S. 7.11 p.m. European Programme. 7.42 p.m. Concerto No. 2 in G Minor, Op. 18 (Rachmaninoff) played by Sergol Rachmaninoff (Pianoforte) and the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra.

7.42-8 p.m. The London Palladium Orchestra. (Matt); Sunset (Matt); March Review Medley.

8 p.m. Time and Weather Report. 8.03-9 p.m. A Programme of Old Favourites.

Song—Marcheta (Schertzing); Trevor Watkins (Tenor); Waltz—The Kiss Waltz, Humorous—Abdulbulbul Amir; Frank Crumit; Polka—Fox Trot—Let's all Dance the Polka; Vocal Duet—Diane; Layton and Johnston; Vocal—Music Hall Favourites; Piano Solos—One hour with you Medley; Rolo da Costa; Vocal—Florrie Forde Old Time Medley; Florrie Forde (Comedienne); Instrumental—Nasty Man Vocal—Forty Second Street Medley; Derick and Brown; Orchestra—Drury Lane Memories.

9.15 p.m. Davenport News Bulletin.

9.15-9.30 p.m. Band Music. March—Blay (Tschelnikovsky); Silver Trumpets (Viviani).

9.30-10 p.m. From the Studio. "A Little about the Dutch East Indies" by Mr. D. V. Stevenson.

10 p.m. Big Ben: Reuter Press Bulletin.

10.10-10.30 p.m. Albert Sandler (Violin); Danny Malone (Tenor).

1. Songs—Believe me, if all those endearing young charms (Nicolet); Mother Machree (Olcott); 2. Violin Solo—Allegro (Picco); 3. Songs—When Irish eyes are smiling (Ball); Her Name is Mary (Ramsey); 4. Her Name is Mary (Ramsey); 5. Songs—Tina (Rubens).

10.30-11 p.m. Dance Music.

11 p.m. Close Down.

MORE TROOPS FOR ADEN

CLOSER SUPPORT OF ADDIS ABABA GUARD

(Special to "Telegraph")

New Delhi, Dec. 3. It is understood that at the request of the British Government, the Government of India has agreed to despatch the remainder of the 5th Battalion of the 14th Punjab Regiment from Poona to Aden.

The men will be available, then, for closer support of the company which is acting as the British Legation Guard at Addis Ababa.—Reuter Special.

In pursuance of the policy laid down in the Coal Mines Act of 1930, of the late Labour Government, they had decided to bring in, at an early date, a Bill for unification of mining royalties as an essential preliminary to the work that lay ahead and as part of the policy to assist trade and to advance the steps already voluntarily taken in some districts for co-operation. On the successful working out of these proposals might well depend the peace and prosperity of one of the largest bodies of workers in the country, and consideration of the problems connected with it was one of the most important pieces of work which lay before the House.

On the subject of defences, he said he hoped it would not be long before the Christmas recess before the House was able to debate the most important and difficult matters in this connection. The Government hoped, further, in the present session, to pass a Bill to extend unemployment insurance so that the benefit might be available for agricultural workers in the winter of next year.—British Wireless.

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INFERIORITY COMPLEX CAUSES BADMINTON UPSET

V.R.C. Strike Bad Patch At Club De Recreio

TACTICAL ERROR PORTUGUESE GO TO HEAD OF TABLE

SHOW INVINCIBLE FORM

(By "Veritas").

Last night the V.R.C. visited the Club de Recreio and received a lesson in badminton. Whether it had the desired effect will better be seen in the future. In fact it is questionable whether picking up a shuttlecock from the ground every half minute is very much of a lesson. It is the sort of thing which can become as disheartening as it is enlightening.

But the Powers have decreed that the "babies" of the men's doubles division shall be given the experience of playing the "giants," and if, as last night, that experience is confined to watching the shuttle soar into the court yards out of one's reach, and of patiently picking up the "feathers" from the floor while the score relentlessly pursues its course—0-15, 0-16, 0-17, 0-18 to the inevitable love game, who are the losers that they should complain?

Nevertheless I think the V.R.C. were slightly disappointed with themselves; and I also think they had a right to be. It was not the fact that they lost to Recreio "A" 8-1, but the manner of that defeat.

INFERIORITY COMPLEX

They went on the court with an inferiority complex which they could not shake off at any stage of the match.

Last Sunday S. A. Ramajohn and C. N. da Silva spent a long time practicing on the Recreio court and in the course of several games wiped up all the Recreio's "B" team couples. But last night they were not in the same class.

I should say they were 100 per cent. below form. A disheartening start when they lost 3-21 to Carvalho and Silva knocked out of them all the will to win. This was reflected in their strokes and tactics which deteriorated as the evening advanced.

Quite a number of things were made apparent about the play of the V.R.C. pairs. They did not make half enough use of the side lines but kept the shuttle in the middle of the court to

20-23, they proceeded to win the next two in first style and rounded off a successful evening by "scalping" the V.R.C. first string 21-10.

Oliveira and J. J. Remedios naturally met with no opposition. They lost six points in the process of winning three games. Carvalho is maintaining a steady improvement and over-head compares favourably with anybody in the Colony.

Complete scores were:
L. A. Carvalho and A. M. Silva (Recreio) beat S. A. Ramajohn and C. N. da Silva 21-3; beat P. B. Allam and E. Alves 21-6; beat M. M. de Saes and C. N. Xavier 21-0.

M. A. Oliveira and J. J. Remedios (Recreio) beat Ramajohn and Silva 21-2; beat Allam and Alves 21-1; beat Soares and Xavier 21-3.

J. Ribeiro and J. Xavier (Recreio) beat Ramajohn and Silva 21-16; beat Allam and Alves 21-7; lost to Soares and Xavier 20-23.

HARD EARNED WIN FOR SAINTS

Kwok & Smith Maintain 100 Per Cent Record

It was tough and go at the Sailors and Soldiers' Home where St. John's were entertained and just succeeded in winning by the odd game in nine.

This turned out to be one of the most keenly contested matches in the men's division to date.

The encounter was featured by F. H. Kwok and G. A. Smith preserving their 100 per cent. record. This couple has now played three matches together without losing any of the nine games. None of the S. and S. Home couples managed to reach double figures against them.

The turning point of the match was the defeat of L. A. Gibbons and A. Edwards, the S. and S. second string by Roland Koh and Norman Smith. It was a highly entertaining and thrilling game with only three aces separating the pairs when the winning point was made.

Scores—
Yang Chian and W. Sprague (S. and S. Home), lost to F. H. Kwok and G. A. Smith 8-21; beat Roland Koh and Norman Smith 21-10; beat F. Tyson and J. Bennett 21-18.
L. A. Gibbons and A. Edwards (S. and S. Home), lost to Kwok and Smith 0-21; lost to Koh and Smith 18-21; beat Tyson and Bennett 21-8.
D. Waylen and J. Winsfield (S. and S. Home), lost to Kwok and Smith 9-21; lost to Koh and Smith 18-21; beat Tyson and Bennett 21-11.

F. H. Kwok, one of Hongkong's leading badminton players. (Photo: Mee Cheung).

the evident satisfaction of the opposition. In the short game they were far too straightforward and rarely succeeded in obtaining the acute angles so necessary to make this type of play successful.

Not once did I see brought into use the drop shot from a high lob, which is one of the most effective strokes in the game.

They did "kill" well, and individually they covered the court in splendid style. But more than once there was a hint of misunderstanding with two players covering the same part of the court at the same time.

Against less powerful opposition these points may not have appeared so obvious, but they stood out illuminated under the dazzling light of the Recreio's skilled court-craft and wide repertoire of strokes.

UNDER DOCTOR'S ORDERS

Recreio were without the services of Dick Alves, whom, I am told, is under doctor's orders and has been advised against playing for another month. Eddie Sousa was also absent and the homesters brought in a pair whom, I believe, have not even played in the "B" team. But they emerged triumphantly from the ordeal. After losing their first game

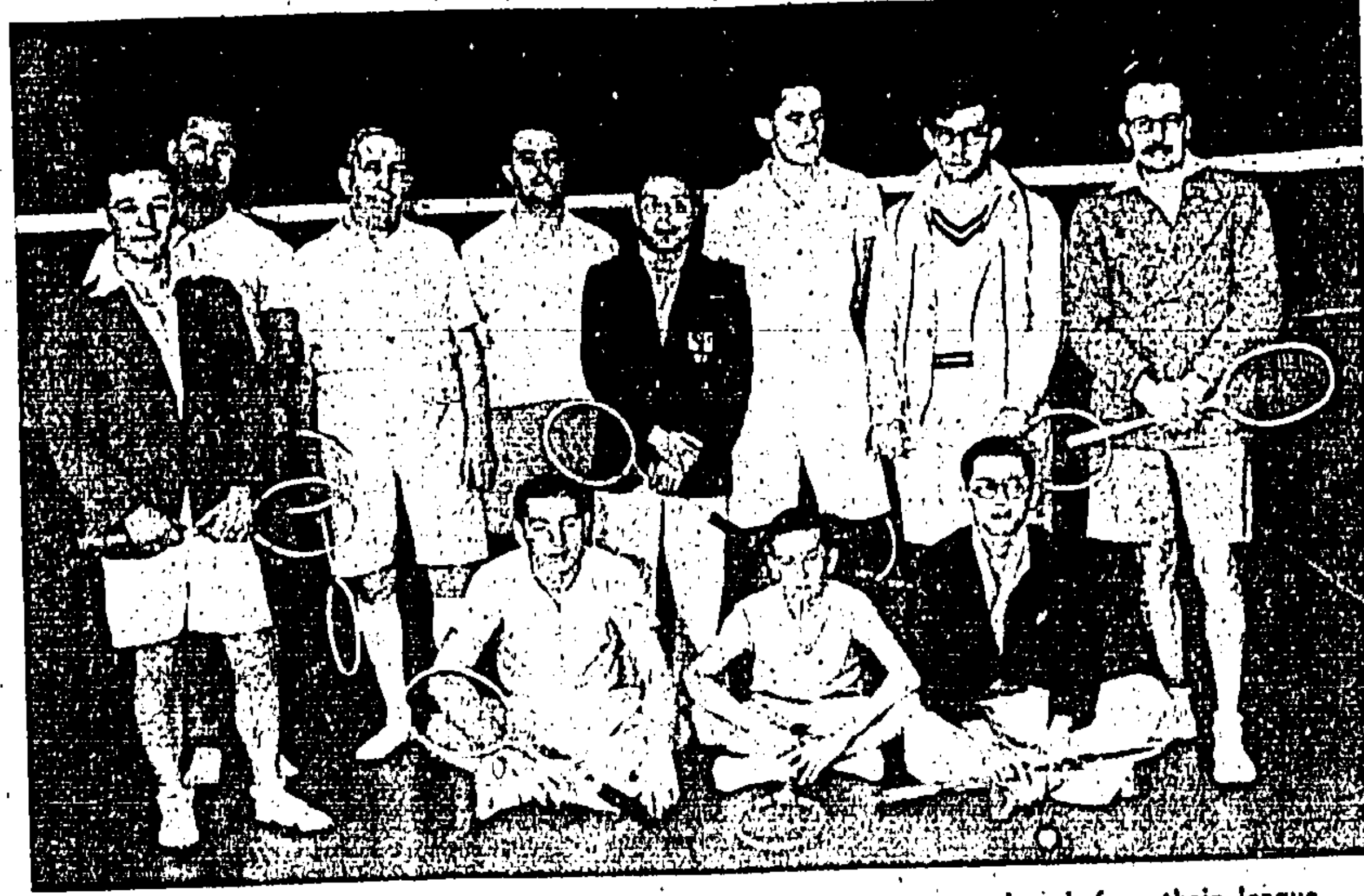
Two Men's Doubles Games This Evening

S. AND S. GET A REST

Two matches in the men's doubles division of the badminton league will be played this evening. Kowloon Tong are hosts to the Fire Brigade and Recreio's "B" entertain Talkoo. Kowloon Tong are turning out the same team which lost to St. Andrew's "B" last week, namely, S. A. Gray and G. A. White. P. Leung and J. M. Tong and E. K. Wong and A. Chan. The Fire Brigade expect to be at full strength and it is unlikely that the homesters will succeed in winning more than two games.

Talkoo must resign themselves to defeat at the Recreio, who are so well off with players that they can afford to put in new pairs almost every match.

Incidentally, to-night is the only night this week that the Sailors and Soldiers' Home have no match!



Group of the Sailors and Soldiers' Home and St. John's badminton teams taken before their league match last night. (Photo: Mee Cheung).

CAMBRIDGE WIN

LAST RUGBY MATCH BEFORE VARSITY ENCOUNTER

London, Dec. 3.
Cambridge University played their last rugby game to-day prior to the annual Inter-Varsity match on Tuesday next. They met and defeated J. L. Greenwood's XV, scoring 18 points against five.—*Reuter*.

BADMINTON HINTS

THE GRIP AND FOREHAND

NO. 1

The great advantage of badminton is that it can be played at any time of the day or evening. It is not a difficult game to learn, and for this reason it is worth while getting your technique right.

Choose a good racket which feels light in your hand. The correct grip is with the end of the handle lying comfortably in your palm, your fingers wrapped round the handle and your thumb overlapping the first finger. Use the same grip for forehand and backhand shots. The racket is so light that in an emergency you can gain a little extra length by shooting forward to pick up a shuttle, holding it merely with the thumb and two fingers; but this is only to be used as a last resource.

Wrist work is important, for it governs the direction and speed of the shuttle. Keep your wrist flexible. Footwork is also immensely important, and since every stroke is a mark, the ability to get off the mark and change direction quickly is of great value. Keep on your toes when waiting for the shot, changing your weight from one foot to the other.

In playing a forehand stroke the left foot should be a little in advance of the right. Have your weight on your right foot as you swing your racket back, and bring it forward on to the left foot at the moment of striking. The shuttle with a straight arm. This means judging your distance carefully. If you are caught so close to the shuttle that you must hit with a bent elbow, remember that you can give yourself more room by swaying your body to the side.

Aim at hitting the shuttle while it is still in advance of you—that is, nearer the net. Use your left arm freely to help your balance.

The follow-through is a continuation of the swing of the racket. Do not curtail it in the forehand stroke. (More hints on badminton will appear next week.)

REVOLVER SHOOT

Police Easily Beat Naval Team

A revolver shooting match between some members of the Hongkong Police Reserve Emergency Unit and the Hongkong Naval Volunteers took place at Kennedy Road Range on Sunday.

The Police Reserves won by 702 points to 338.

The following were the scores:
Police Reserves: 702
Naval Volunteers: 338
Daniel: 141
Van de Lely: 128
Simmons: 115
Timble: 114
Merrill: 108
Murray: 98
Total: 702

H.K.F.A. FACES A PROBLEM

AND WORKS OUT A NOVEL SOLUTION

(By "Veritas").

The Problem:—Portugal and Wales refuse to play in the International Charity Cup competition on Christmas Day. China and Scotland say they will. The draw brings together Portugal and China and Scotland and Wales. What's to be done?

The Solution:—Scrap the draw. Put Scotland against China and Portugal against Wales, so that the first two can play on Christmas Day and the other two on Boxing Day.

General Reactions:—Inexpressible.

Whatever one may think about the desirability of constitutional action, or of the way in which the Football Association flouted such constitutional action, one must admire the delightfully complacent way in which the F.A. faced and solved this problem. The action raises the question, "When is a cup draw not a cup draw?" The answer seems to be, "When it is made in Hongkong."

However, everybody seems to be satisfied and the Association certainly deserves to be congratulated on its foresight in inserting that Rule 17, which gives the management full powers to deal with any point not provided for in the rest of the rules.

Incidentally local sports writers aren't at all keen on working either Christmas Day or Boxing Day. Surely the Football Association will rally round and do something about this. Now a nice little suspension of all holiday football.... But perhaps that is acting a little too unconstitutionally.

Getting back for a moment to the Problem and its Solution, it must be said that the present arrangement is far more satisfactory than the original draw. I should have hated to see Portugal and China eliminated one another in the semi-final because I feel certain they will provide a first class final.

FRIENDLY HOCKEY

Police "A" Team Visit Shamshuipo Camp

Travelling to Shamshuipo yesterday afternoon, the Police "A" did not play the Lincoln's at hockey as was at first arranged, but met the "B" Company of that regiment instead.

The visitors were superior in all the most essential departments, but the Lincoln's defence played a hard game in the first half and kept the keepers of the law to a 2-1 lead at the interval.

At the resumption, however, the Police were continually attacking and scored three more goals, the score at the final whistle being 5-1 in their favour.

MATCH CANCELLED

The match arranged between the Radio Indians and the Police Indians for yesterday was cancelled.

The triangular tournament hockey match between the Royal Navy and the Army to be played at King's Park to-day will commence at 2.30 p.m. instead of 4 p.m. as previously arranged. This is the Services' first meeting in the tourney, and a good game should ensue.

CLUB'S SENIOR TEAM

The following will represent the Hongkong Hockey Club v. Radio Sports Club at King's Park at 5 p.m. to-day:

H. S. Shields; J. E. Potter (Capt); G. Sommer; J. G. Cotsworth; W. A. Reed and J. L. Tetley; N. A. E. Mackay; S. A. Fowler; G. E. R. Davitt; D. Carey and D. J. Nooy.

Prague, Dec. 3.
Miss Zdenka Koubkova, famous Czechoslovak holder of the women's world 800 metres record, established last year at the World Games in London, will shortly become Mrs. Zdenka Koubkova. Doctors have informed Miss Koubkova that she has the option of either sex: She has decided to become a man. This is the second operation since the sex of Miss Koubkova was doubted.

OUR FORECAST

For Saturday Next

ENGLISH & SCOTTISH FOOTBALL

The following is the special Telegraph forecast of next Saturday's English and Scottish League football programme.

FIRST DIVISION	
ARSENAL	v. Middlesbrough
Birmingham	v. HUDDERSFIELD
Blackburn	v. WEDNESDAY
CHelsea	v. Portsmouth
GRIMSBY	v. Brentford
Leeds	v. Derby
LIVERPOOL	v. Preston
MANCHESTER C.V.	v. Aston Villa
Stoke	v. Wolves
SUNDERLAND	v. Bolton
WEST BROMWICH	v. Everton

SECOND DIVISION	
BLACKPOOL	v. Manchester U.
Bradford	v. Barnsley
Bury	v. FULHAM
Doncaster	v. Port Vale
LEICESTER	v. Hull
Norwich	v. Newcastle
Notts F.	v. TOTTENHAM
SHEFFIELD U.	v. Plymouth
SOUTHAMPTON	v. Bradford C.
Swansea	v. CHARLTON
WEST HAM	v. Burnley

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)	
ALDERSHOT	v. Bristol R.
BRISTOL C.	v. READING
COVENTRY	v. Bournemouth
EXETER	v. Southend
MILLWALL	v. Crystal P.
NEWPORT	v. Luton
QUEEN'S P.R.	v. Northampton
SWINDON	v. Cardiff
TORQUAY	v. Orient
WATFORD	v. Notts C.
	v. Gillingham

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)	
Carlisle	v. Barrow
DARLINGTON	v. Chester
GATESHEAD	v. Lincoln
HALIFAX	v. Southport
Hartlepool	v. New Brighton
Manfield	v. CHESTERFIELD
	v. ACCRINGTON
Oldham	v. Stockport
Rotherham	v. Rochdale
TRANMERE	v. York
WALSALL	v. Crewe
WREXHAM	

SCOTTISH LEAGUE	
Albion	v. HAMILTON
ARBRUTH	v. Hibernian
Clyde	v. ABERDEEN
Dundee	v. Airdrie
HEARTS	v. Queen's Park
KILMARNOCK	v. Queen's 8th
MOTHERWELL	v. Ayr
PARTICK	v. Dunfermline
St. Johnstone	v. RANGERS
Third Lanark	v. CELTIC

TO BEAT THE BOOK

(By "Robin")

HOME:—

Arsenal
Chelsea
Manchester C.
Sunderland
Doncaster
West Ham
Swindon
Torquay
Halifax
Wrexham
Motherwell
Kilmarnock

AWAY:—

Tottenham
Reading
Celtic
Huddersfield
Brentford
Charlton

TO DRAW:—

TENNIS EXHIBITION

MENZEL & HECHT TO-MORROW

PLAY TO START AT 3.30

(By "Veritas").

What was at first a slender possibility has become a certainty concerning the appearance in Hongkong of Menzel and Hecht the international tennis players. They have not only agreed by cable to play, but thanks to the earlier arrival of the Terukuni Maru, they will have the whole of tomorrow afternoon at their disposal.

In view of this the L.T.A. has gone ahead and made arrangements to stage the players at the Hongkong Cricket Club where they will be on view at one dollar per seat and 50 cents standing.

It is expected that they will start at 3.30. The players are first being invited to an official (film) party.

The programme has not yet been arranged as it is not known whether Menzel and Hecht will feel like singles or whether they will prefer to play nothing but doubles.

Hongkong would dearly like to see the Davis Cup men opposed to each other in a singles, and I believe the L.T.A. intend to try and persuade our visitors to do this.

In any case it will be an entertaining afternoon, requiring only fine weather to ensure its success.

England's Best Tennis Players

RANKING LIST ISSUED

London, Nov. 14.

The Lawn Tennis Association issued yesterday the official ranking lists for 1935, singles only, for the period April 1 to Oct. 5, 1935.

These are as follow. The figures in parentheses denote the positions last year.

Men.—1, F. J. Perry (1); 2, H. W. Austin (2); 3, G. P. Hughes (3); 4, C. R. D. Tuckey (10); 5, R. K. Tinker (—); 6, N. Sharpe (4); 7, H. G. N. Lee (—); 8, E. R. Avery (0); 9, G. Collins (1); 10, C. M. Jones (—); 11, F. H. D. Wido (8); 12, D. G. Freshwater (10).

Women.—1, Miss D. E. Round (1) and Miss K. E. Stammers (3); 2, Miss E. F. Whittington (8); 3, Miss M. C. Scriven (2); 4, Miss S. Noel (12); 5, Miss J. B. Pittman (9); 6, Miss N. M. Lylo (0); 7, Mrs. M. R. King (4); 8, Miss E. M. Dearman (10); 9, Miss A. M. Yorke (—); 10, Miss S. James (5); 11, Miss R. M. Hardwick (11).

On the whole it is a sound ranking. Comments (Frank Poxon), but I think Mrs. Whittington has been rather flattered in being put above Miss Scriven.

The only fault in the men's list is that Nigel Sharpe has been placed as low as sixth. Sharpe is a better singles player than R. K. Tinker, who is ranked fifth.

Indeed, Sharpe would have an odd chance of beating either G. P. Hughes or C. R. D. Tuckey, ranked even further above him.

Leonardo Gavia Defeats Khoo Hooi-Hye

IN THREE EXHAUSTING SETS

Manila, Nov. 29.

In a gruelling battle during which the score saw-sawed uncertainly in each set, Leonardo Gavia, Jr., National and All-Comers champion, defeated Khoo Hooi-Hye, Shanghai ace, in three sets yesterday afternoon at the Rizal Stadium, 10-8, 7-5 and 9-7. In the second game of the evening Juanito Gavia, the local tennis champion's youthful brother, bowed in defeat to a more experienced opponent, V. T. Wong, 3-6, 2-6, 7-5 and 4-6.

The match between Gavia and Khoo was thrilling, the local ace meeting opposition every foot of the way. Almost all the Chinese tennis ace saved the game, however, and after the score for the game saw-sawed for sometime, he won the game to tie the score at 5-5. Khoo won the next game, giving him the lead and a chance to win the set and won for two-sets all. He was getting tired, however, and once he stopped to rest from a cramped foot.

Khoo tied the score for the set at 7-all for the last time and determinedly strove to get the upper hand. However, with victory within his grasp, Gavia ranged all over his side of the court, forcing the tennis ace visitor to extend himself. Gavia won the next two games to clinch the set and the match.

SHANGHAI WIN DOUBLES
Manila, Nov. 30.
Khoo Hooi-Hye and V. T. Wong, representing Shanghai, defeated Leonardo Gavia, Jr., and Alfredo Dily local national tennis doubles champion combination, in five closely contested and gruelling sets yesterday afternoon at the Rizal Memorial Tennis Stadium, to take the lead, 2 matches to 1 in the dual net meet between Santa Tomas University and Shanghai Tennis Club.

The end of the first set began after the score had been tied at eight games all. Gavia took the ninth after the game was deuced time and again, and then won the tenth in easy fashion to clinch the set, 10-8.

FORTUNE VARIES

Early in the second set, Khoo again took an early lead, winning the first two games. Gavia won the next two to even up the score, and then it was a nip and tuck affair again as victory seemed to favour first one player and then the other. Gavia had the upper hand but drove into the net time and again, allowing Khoo to even up. The end of the second set came when with the score at 6-5 against him, Khoo failed to return a low one, the error costing him the game and the set, 6-7.

The third set was as thrilling and closely contested as the first. Khoo took the first two games, but again

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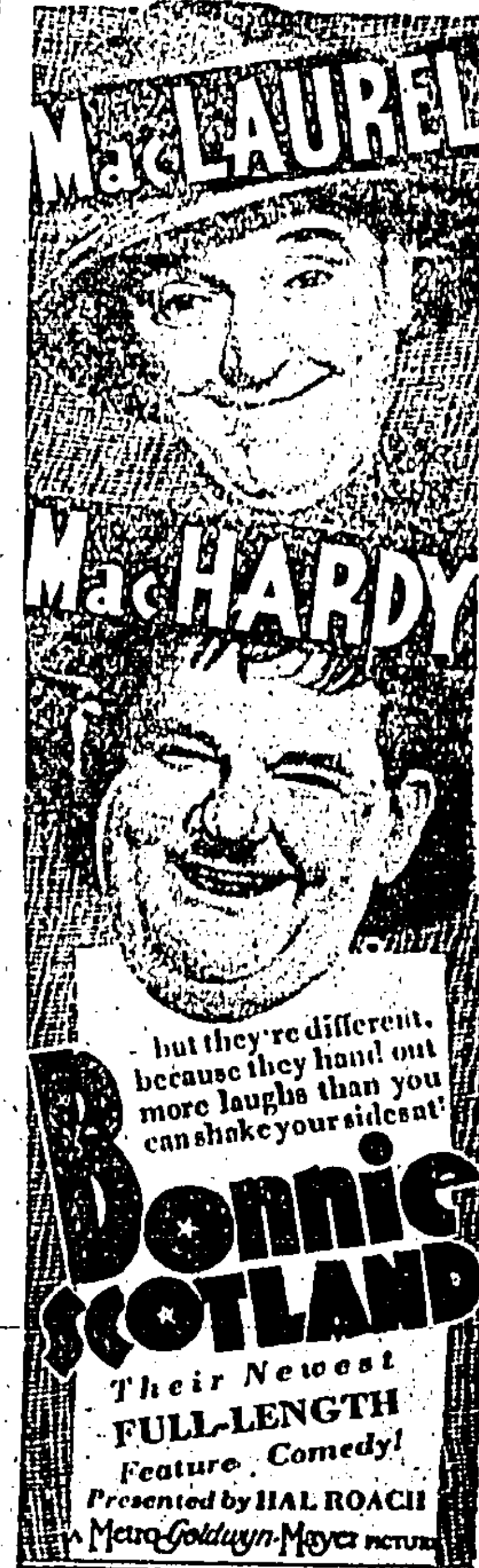
Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Fourteenth Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 14th December, 1935, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Gloucester Building; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

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CHRISTMAS FOOTBALL PROBLEM

H.K.F.A. DEALS WITH CURIOUS SITUATION

INTERNATIONAL CHARITY CUP DRAW MADE AND THEN RESCINDED

Refusals from two teams to play representative football on Christmas Day caused a little trouble to the Council of the Hongkong Football Association yesterday when the draw for the Sunday Herald Charity Cup Competition was being considered.

After much discussion the draw was made, but, as it did not suit the convenience of the two teams concerned, the original draw was nullified and the teams re-matched.

Mr. C. M. Manners was in the chair. It was revealed during the reading of the minutes of the various sub-committee meetings held during the month that A. B. Cannell, the Navy centre-forward, was suspended for one week for ungentlemanly conduct during the recent match between the Navy and South China "A" when Cannell was ordered off the field on an allegation of violent conduct.

The Emergency Committee found Cannell not guilty of a charge of striking Tam Kong-pak but suspended him for ungentlemanly conduct.

Permission was given by the Council for the Governor's Cup match between the Hongkong Football Association and the Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation on Sunday next, to be broadcast in Chinese by ZBW.

IN CASE OF ACCIDENTS

A letter from the Referees' Association requesting the appointment of each match of qualified ambulance men from the St. John Ambulance Brigade in the event of accidents occurring to players, was considered. Various members of the Council intimated that their grounds were provided with first aid men and that it was not necessary to appoint special ambulance men.

The chairman suggested that the Referees' Association be informed that there was always someone present at matches capable of rendering first aid in the event of an accident.

It was mentioned by an officer from the Royal Welch Fusiliers that when Keneghan had his leg broken recently it took the speaker half an hour to summon the ambulance. Although a chair was improvised for the patient he was none too comfortable during that time.

Members pointed out that there were several club houses at King's Park, where the accident occurred, and that assistance should have been available much sooner than had been the case.

The draw for the Shield Competition was not made by the Council but left to a sub-committee which will meet later.

SUNDAY HERALD CUP

When the draw for the Sunday Herald Cup came up for consideration it was intimated that Portugal, owing to players having to attend midnight mass, would not attend play on Christmas Day.

As the rules of the Football Association provide that a club or a player shall not be compelled to play any match on either Good Friday or Christmas Day it was decided that the draw be made first in case China should be drawn against Scotland, which would satisfy all teams concerned. However, China was drawn against Portugal and Scotland against Wales.

It was decided after much discussion that as representatives of all four teams were agreeable, China should meet Scotland on Christmas Day and Portugal meet Wales on Boxing Day.

The first match is to be played on the Club Ground and the second on the Navy's Ground at Causeway Bay.

The selection of the teams for the Children's Play Ground fund match on New Year's Day between the Mainland and the Island, was left in the hands of Capt. E. Hague, and Messrs. Wong Ka-tsun (Hongkong), and J. McKelvie and C.M.S. Alves (Kowloon).

OFFICIALS LEAVING

The draw for the Lai Wah Cup Competition resulted in the Navy being given the Army as opponents on the Kowloon F.C. Ground and the non-Chinese Civilian Chinese on Caroline Hill Ground on January 5.

The impending departure of Mr. Manners and Capt. Hague was referred to by Mr. T. A. Mitchell, vice-President of the Association, who

presided over the latter stages of the meeting in the absence of both Mr. Manners and Capt. Hague.

Tributes were paid to both gentlemen and it was unanimously agreed that suitable souvenirs be presented to their invaluable services to football in the Colony.

Of Mr. Manners the Chairman said that he had been a true and trusted servant of the Association for the past three years and had put in a tremendous amount of work for the game in the Colony.

Capt. Hague, said Mr. Mitchell, was the mainstay of the Association. The Speaker had never, anywhere, met anybody who had done more work for a club or association than had Capt. Hague.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

MARKET UPWARD YESTERDAY

The following reports on the New York Stock Market have been received through Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz:

The Wall Street Journal report on yesterday's markets:—The markets today were upward. Dow-Jones Industrial Average touched the high level for 1935 on the outlook regarding carloadings. "Blue Chips" gained briskly on investment demand. Stocks on the Curb Exchange were higher. The market for bonds was strong.

S. & F. New York office cables: Stocks: Securities were in better demand as Traders entered the market. Business failures during the past week totalled 229, against 210 failures the previous week. Demand deposits during the past week amounted to \$1,018,000,000 as compared with \$1,320,000,000 the previous week. Christmas retail buying is brisk.

Cotton: The Government cotton plan for 1936 of a minimum acreage reduction of 30 per cent and a maximum of 45 per cent is construed as bullish, but the market is clouded by pending Supreme Court test cases. The Producers' Pool was selling for January, with the trade as persistent buyers.

Wheat: The market is fundamentally unchanged. Price movements continued narrow, awaiting an improvement in foreign demand. Rubber: The increase in the Dutch native quota to 57,000 tons in 1936; 53,000 tons in 1937 and 55,000 tons in 1938, while other quotas remain unchanged, is construed as bearish, but strict observance may possibly prevent irregular shipments and result in a small increase. Any secondary liquidation to-morrow will afford a favourable buying opportunity.

REUTER QUOTATIONS

	Dec. 2	Dec. 3
Dow Jones Averages	140.72	143.68
30 Industrials	39.10	40.46
20 Rails	28.22	28.62
20 Utilities	97.51	97.66
40 Bonds	65.91	66.16
11 Commodity Index	65.91	66.16

EXCHANGE RATES

	Dec. 2	Dec. 3
Paris	74.49/64	74.53/64
Geneva	15.24	15.24
Berlin	12.26	12.26
Athens	517	517
Shanghai	1.02	1.02
New York	4.03	4.03
Amsterdam	7.27 1/2	7.27 1/2
Vienna	26 1/2	26 1/2
Prague	119 1/4	119 1/4
Brussels	36 1/2	36 1/2
London	1.01	1.01
Hongkong	1.75 1/16	1.75 1/16
Manila	29.16 1/2	29.16 1/2
Montevideo	39 1/2	39 1/2
Belgrade	216	216
Bombay	4.98 1/2	4.98 1/2
Yokohama	1.02	1.02
Helsingfors	220 1/2	220 1/2
Rio	4 1/2	4 1/2
Buenos Aires	15	15
Sao Paulo	15	15
Silver (Spot)	29 1/2	29 1/2
Silver (Forward)	28 1/2	28 1/2
War Loan	105 1/2	105 1/2

—British Wireless.

TOMMY LOUGHRAN TELLS HOW AND WHY HE HATES WOMEN

(By Corinne Irwin)

London, Nov. 14.

"Tommy Loughran is a woman-hater," they said. "You go along and ask him why, before he fights Maurice Strickland at Wembley Stadium on Tuesday—in case he does not want to see anybody afterwards. Don't try to make an appointment."

"That's the legend about him," said Trevor Wignall. "He's clever at sparring. He may refuse to discuss 'woman' with you."

So, with instructions and warnings buzzing in my head, I went—wondering what a misogynist boxer would do.

We met. KIDNEY OMELETTE. "How do you do?" said Tommy Loughran in polite, Philadelphia tones. (Philadelphia is one of America's "culture" cities.) "Will you have lunch with me?"

Discomfort changed to acute interest on sight of this good-looking, thirty-two-year-old heavy-weight. Between mouthfuls of kidney omelette, I started: "About women, Loughran, women."

"Ah, yes," replied Tommy Loughran, "women."

"We were launched on the theme. 'Women,' said Tommy Loughran, 'I studiously avoid them because I know they could be my weakness. I like women, you see, but I like boxing more. At the age when I was most susceptible this determination to become a great boxer was my armour. I will tell you a little of my beginning, and perhaps you will understand."

"From the age I could talk, I wanted to be a boxer."

HERO WORSHIP. "At sixteen, I had my first fight; at nineteen I was fighting Gene Tunney, Harry Greb, fellows like that. America's best boxers. I changed into a hero. The district adopted me as their local institution."

"Naturally, there were many women among the 'fans.' When I look back now, I am amazed that I stayed disinterested. I know part of the reason was that I was shy."

"As I grew older, I met many older women who advised me, counselled me. I noticed they always suggested that I should wait the things they were after." (I squirmed.)

"I realised that women were much cleverer than men. They are past mistakes at intrigue, at scheming; their intuition shows them ways and methods of making a man do what they want before he knows it."

BUT LATER ON! "Mind you, I think it is silly to go through your whole life unmarried. A woman can make you so happy."

"Marry? Oh, yes, after I am too old to box—and after I have spent five years travelling around the world."

"Then I shall drop my armour and look for the woman I want. . . I know what I want right now."

"I do not care if she is beautiful. But she must be able to stand on her own feet. . . that is, she must have what I call an 'inner person.' She must not be completely dependent on me for everything."

"But," I objected, "what if you fall in love with some dumb little bit of nonsense before you have time to think?"

"There's always that chance. . . he said."

—OR ALER? On Tommy Loughran's finger is an unusual-looking signet ring. Inside it is the smallest watch I have ever seen.

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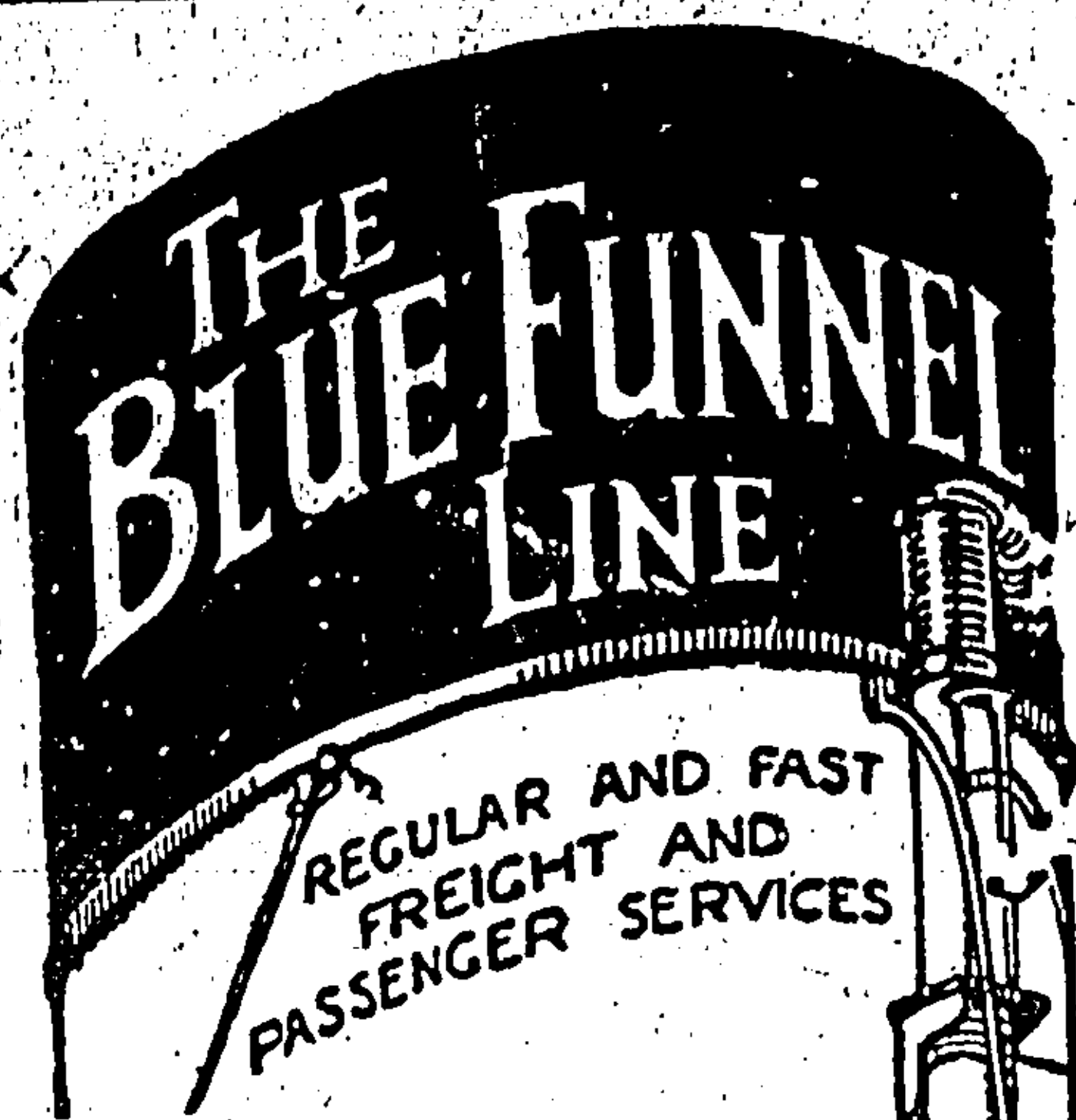
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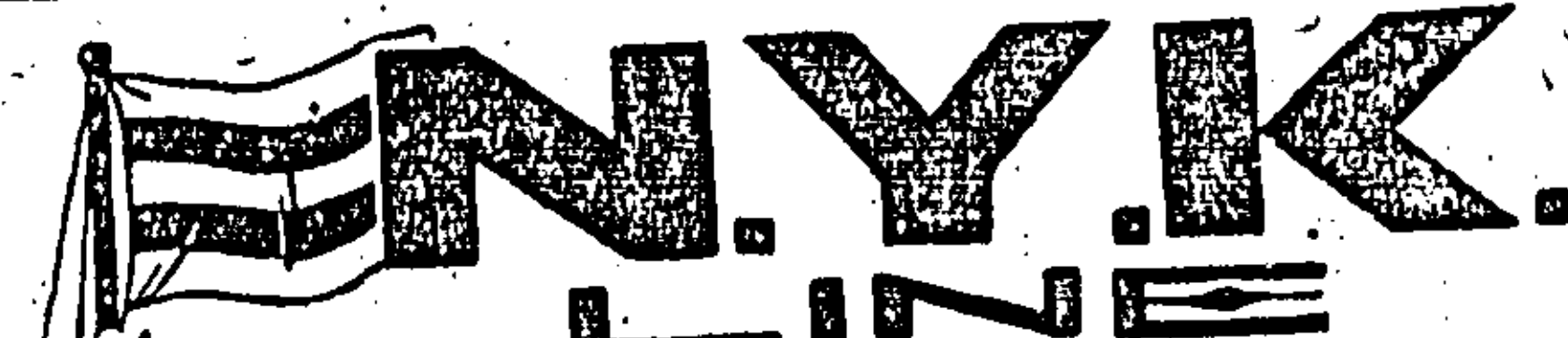
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SERIAL STORY

DONNA OF THE BIG TOP

by BEULAH DOYNER

CHAPTER XLV

Donna studied the contents of the clothes closet. What an accumulation of clothing she had—bungalow aprons,ingham dresses, her wedding livery. There was no need to take all that to New York. Her lips twisted as she smoothed the soft, silken folds of the garments she and Minnie had spent so much time making.

Her trunk, containing her circus wardrobe, was in the attic. It was so heavy she doubted if she could move it alone, yet to ask Minnie to help would mean starting a train of questions Donna was in no mood to answer.

She would take the car, she decided, and find someone to drive it back from Lebanon. If she faced Bill again she would be sure to break down and plead for forgiveness and she wanted to keep what little self-respect she had. There was a train for Chicago at 6 o'clock. If she hurried she could catch it.

Once out of this house she would be able to put Bill out of her heart and life forever. He would divorce her, of course. Divorce was grounds for divorce.

If she remained at the farm until the will was read Bill would have more cause for bitterness against her. Perhaps, when the first hurt was over, he would contest the will and Con David's scheming would be ruined.

All of the other members of the household were down stairs—Minnie sobbing as though she had lost her nearest and dearest; Bill, hard and bitter and cold, feeling the loss of his grandchild nearly all in the face of his disillusion. No one heard the sound of Donna dragging the big trunk down the stairs from the attic or heard her moan of pain as she edged it off the porch.

The pain sickened her so that she was afraid she was going to faint. Obviously she could not move the trunk further, certainly not down another flight of stairs. She had been foolish to think that she could. Her arms were not like steel now. She did not have the strength she once had, when the weight of her own body and Madeline's seemed nothing.

She decided to take only necessities in her travelling bag and leave a note asking to have the trunk shipped later. It could be delivered to one of the hotels in Lebanon and she could send instructions later to have it forwarded. It might be some time before she would need it. She would have to do a lot of limbering up to make good in an act again. And bookings might not be easy to secure.

Alone—oh, God, how could she go on alone? When she stepped out of this house she would be leaving more than a husband behind. She would be leaving her soul, her heart—all that had made life livable.

She tried to harden herself against Bill. It had been unjust to him, giving her no chance to justify herself. All the months of her devotion had counted for nothing against the word of a stranger. Perhaps in time she could learn to hate him. Now only the agony of separation mattered.

Poor old Grandfather! Would he know that she was not with the mourners when they lowered him into his final resting place? Would he know she had crept out of the house like the thief she was? She had made the old man's last days happy and nothing could destroy the fact. But for her he would have known that the grandchild he still looked upon as a little girl had failed him.

"Some day," Donna sobbed aloud, "some day, Bill, I'll tell you, understand and be sorry you've treated me this way. Some day you'll come to me for forgiveness and I won't give it. I can be hard and bitter, too. I'm going to forget you. I'm going to be the greatest aerial performer in the world! When my name is plastered on billboards in three sheets and twenty-four sheets and I'm acclaimed in Europe, as well as here, you'll wish you hadn't driven me away!"

His dark hair or kiss his cheek or hear him whisper "What's the matter, honey? Can't you sleep?" "Oh, Bill! Bill! If I'd never seen you—if I just didn't love you so much! Why didn't you love me as I love you? Why wasn't I honest with you? I'd have lost you before we were married if I'd told you the truth, but it wouldn't have been so hard then. It's my heart I'm leaving behind, and I can't stand it. I can't stand it!"

Suddenly, through her sobs, she heard Bill's voice in the hallway below. With a shudder she recognized the name he spoke. It was that of the undertaker. Donna sat tense, breathless, praying that when the door opened she would find a man and no steps mounted the stairs.

She dragged herself to her feet, bathed her swollen eyes and face and combed her disordered hair. She put on her hat and the heavy coat and mittens. Then, carrying the travelling bag, she descended the back stairs.

At the pantry door she would say to Minnie if the girl inquired where she was going. But Minnie was not in sight and she passed through the kitchen unnoticed.

The bobbed stood in front of the house where Bill had left it. Donna decided it was safer to take the car and also quicker. She was killed her problem would be solved.

The sun had melted the drifts considerably and she manipulated the car more easily than she had anticipated. Not until she passed the Adams house did she remember that she had not written the note she intended to leave.

Well, she wouldn't go back. After all, why trouble a man who despised her? She would wait for the morning train and send a boy from the hotel for her trunk. Then she could take it with her wherever she went.

Wagons and machines had passed over the road since she had last reached the public square, that she had plenty of time to catch the 6 o'clock train. She drove the car into the garage adjoining the Central Hotel and asked Ben Gaddard, the owner, to see that it was returned to the Siddal farm.

"Going away?" Gaddard asked. "Yes. To Chicago. My—Mr. Siddal couldn't drive me in. So I want you to take it back." "How's Grandpa? Feeling any better?"

She did not stop to think. "He's dead," she said dully. "Dead! Ain't that something about?" "I hadn't heard anything about it." Too late she realized that she should have withheld the news. "He died to-day," she explained.

"My land! That's too bad. It must be something awful important that's taking you to Chicago when your Grandpa has just died." "It is. Will you send the car back right away, Mr. Gaddard?" "Sure, sure. No other death?" "No."

"Spouse you're going to catch the 6 o'clock?" Feeling trapped, she said she was if she could get accommodations. To make good her word she walked to ward the railroad station, carrying her luggage. Obviously, unless she wanted a worse scandal than the one she was to break, she could not stay overnight at the Central Hotel.

searching as though they could see, had stood on that platform to welcome her. Now Grandfather was dead and Bill worse than dead! She fought the impulse to run in the opposite direction, to seize the car and drive back to the farm. Then a shrill whistle split the air and the sound made Donna's decision. She began to run, stumbling blindly, hitting the heavy travelling bag against her legs. As the train drew to a standstill she reached the platform. There was no time to buy a ticket. A porter stepped down, lifted her luggage and helped her on the train. "Fullman?" he asked. "Yes. To Chicago." (To Be Continued).

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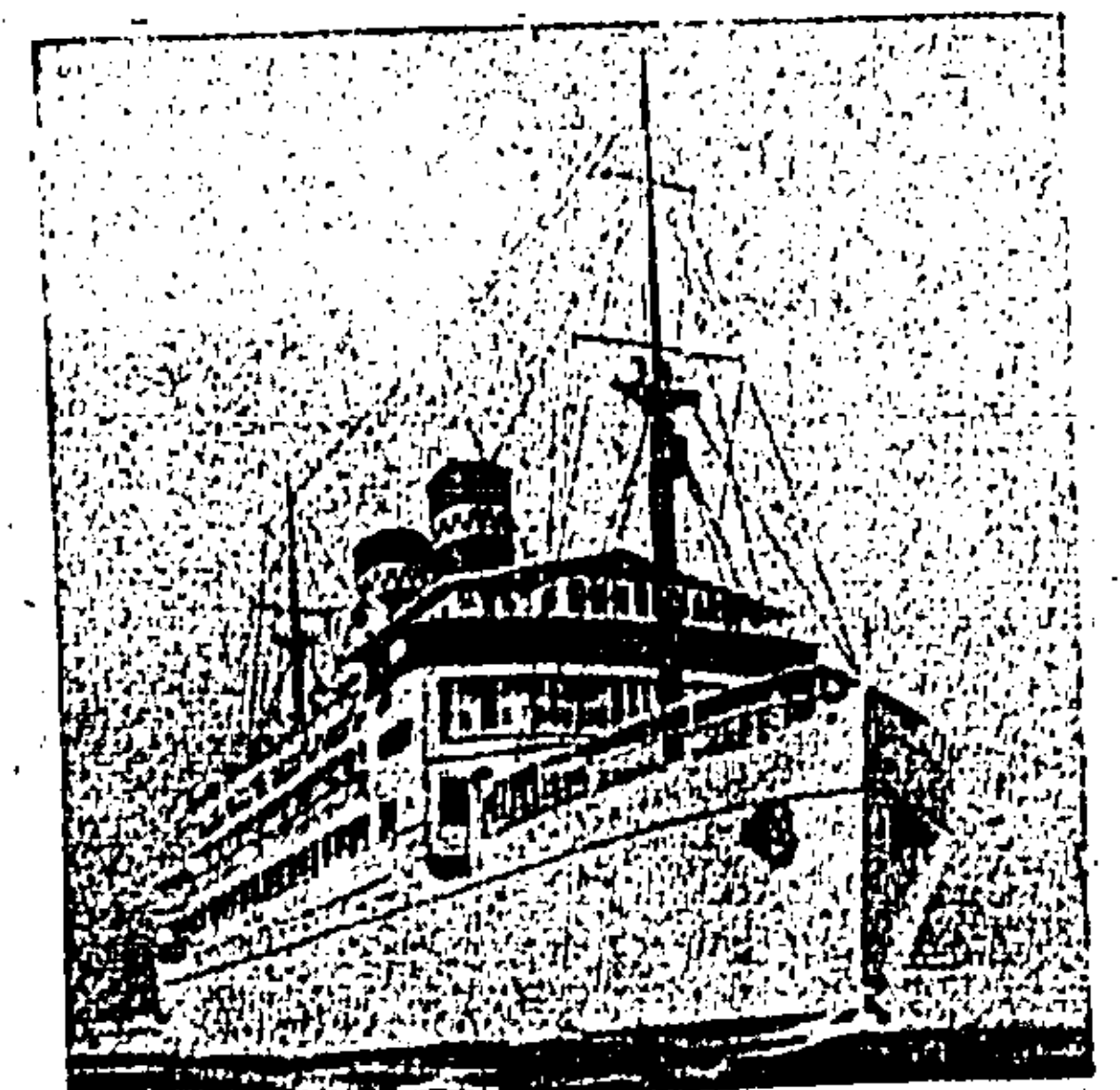
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LOSS SHOWN FOR PAST YEAR

A net loss of \$46,203.45 during the past year was reported by the Directors of the Sandakan Light and Power Company (1922), Limited, at the thirteenth ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders held at the head office of the Company at the National Bank Building last morning.

Mr. A. J. Shields presided, others present being the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, O.B.E., Mr. C. A. da Rosa, Mr. S. M. Churn (Directors), Mr. W. N. Fleming (Secretary), Messrs. J. W. Shewman, P. J. Taverne, J. Coppin, John Braga, Messrs. Braga and A. A. Botelho (Shareholders).

Addressing the meeting, Mr. Shields said:—Gentlemen, As the report and accounts have been in your hands for the required period, I propose with your approval to take them as read.

The balance at credit of Working Account after charging depreciation is \$1,551.47 better than for the preceding year. Income from investments is also up by \$29,444.33, but the provision for depreciation on investments as at 30th June, 1935, results in a net loss on Profit & Loss Account, of \$46,203.45.

EXCHANGE EFFECTS

I would add that the higher rates of exchange ruling during the year adversely affected the remittances of surplus revenue from Sandakan. I can only express the hope that the recent drop in local exchange and the appreciation in local stocks, representing our investments may enable us to put a better account before you for the current year.

Our Manager and Resident Engineer in Sandakan reports that the plant and buildings have been kept in good repair and the plant in good running order. During the year the supply of electricity was free from interruption except on three occasions, when exceptionally high winds uprooted trees across the high tension lines. The number of units sold during the year shows an increase and the net return per unit has also improved.

The Resident Engineer was authorized to co-operate in the Sandakan Silver Jubilee Celebrations and to illuminate free of charge the Recreation Ground. The Government has expressed appreciation of our assistance towards the success of the celebrations.

I now propose that the report and accounts as presented be adopted and when that has been seconded I shall endeavour to answer any questions from shareholders.

REPORT ADOPTED

The adoption of the report was seconded by the Hon. Mr. Braga and was carried unanimously.

Mr. Taverne proposed the re-election of the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga and Mr. C. A. da Rosa as Directors for the ensuing year. Mr. Coppin seconded the proposal, which was passed unanimously.

Proposed by Mr. John Braga and seconded by Mr. Noel Braga, Messrs. Percy, Smith, Seah and Fleming, and Mr. Daniel Roper, all members of the United States Cabinet, restraining them from imposing an embargo on the export of cotton, oil, copper and iron to Italy.

Mr. Giobano is an American citizen. He claims the embargo would cause him personal loss.—United Press.

U.S. TO SUPPLY ITALIAN OIL?

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and designed to keep Americans out of a war.—United Press.

SEEKS INJUNCTION

New York, Dec. 3. Mr. Philip Giobano, an executive officer of *Italia*, an Italian-American newspaper, has asked the Federal Court for an injunction against Mr. Cordell Hull, Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Mr. George Dern, Mr. Claude Swanson and Mr. Daniel Roper, all members of the United States Cabinet, restraining them from imposing an embargo on the export of cotton, oil, copper and iron to Italy.

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RETRACTS

Washington, Dec. 3. Mr. Harold Ickes, Secretary of the Interior, has retracted his statement favouring an oil embargo against Italy.

He declares his remarks concerning exports to Italy and Ethiopia were misunderstood. He only meant to request compliance with the Government's efforts to stop the shipment of munitions and wheat.—Reuter Special.

EUROPEAN ON THEFT CHARGE

CASE FIXED FOR HEARING

F. W. Kendall, of Shing Mun, was summoned before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on the complaint of Lam Cheong, who alleged that the defendant stole from him, on November 10, various wages account books, clothes, provision account books and other documents.

Mr. G. S. Ford, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, represented the complainant and asked his Worship to fix a date for the hearing of the case. It was intimated that Mr. W. A. Mackinlay would appear for the defence.

The afternoon of Monday, December 9, was fixed for hearing.

BODIKER CASE RESUMED

WRONGFUL ACTION DENIED

-DEFENCE OPENS

Denials that his clients had used plaintiffs' property to gamble in exchange, and put the difference in their pockets, were put forward by Mr. Leo D'Almada, Jr., at the Supreme Court, this morning when he opened the defence on behalf of Messrs. Bodiker and Company, who are being sued for \$68,500 by the Ying Wah Co., of Canton, for alleged wrongful conversion.

The case is being tried by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor. Mr. D'Almada, together with Mr. F. C. Jenkin, K.C., instructed by Mr. T. Prior, are for the defence, and Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., instructed by Mr. E. S. G. Brooks, represents the plaintiff firm.

The case for the plaintiff is that the defendants wrongfully converted half of the wolfram ore stored in their place as security for a loan of \$97,440, and that they took advantage of the property, gambled in exchange, and put the difference in their pockets.

The defence, in its opening, contends that the conversion was made in accordance with an oral agreement, whereby they had the right to do so. At the outset, of this morning's hearing, the plaintiffs called Kong Poo-chek, an employee of the National Products Sales Office in Canton, to rebut the defence contention that the price of \$80 per picul of wolfram ore offered to plaintiffs by the Yee Hee Hong firm sometime in March this year was fictitiously high.

THE DEFENCE

Opening the defence, Mr. D'Almada said that before going into any arguments it would not be amiss to outline the defence as already placed before the Court in Mr. Bodiker's evidence.

Since 1920, Messrs. Bodiker and Company had been established both in Canton and Hongkong. They had been dealing in wolfram ore, and Mr. Bodiker, the proprietor, had known Chan Ham-on, one of the partners of the plaintiff firm, for some time previously to the present transaction.

On January 29 this year, Chan Ham-on met Chan Pui-she, an employee of the defendant firm in Canton and asked him if it were possible to raise some money against 100 tons of wolfram ore as he was in need of ready cash owing to the approach of Chinese New Year. Pui-she said it could be arranged, and together they went to the office of Messrs. Bodiker where an agreement was put through.

The following day the agreement, which was in writing, was signed, and in the afternoon of the same day, Mr. Bodiker had a discussion by telephone with his Hongkong manager, Mr. Soltan, as a result of which they came to the conclusion that it would be a good idea if half of the ore could be shipped abroad. Reasons for this were that on account of a better chance of selling and that by so doing it would enable the defendant company to reduce their overdraft with the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.

PROPOSAL ACCEPTED

After this conversation, Mr. Bodiker instructed his employee to get in touch with Mr. Chan Ham-on and placed the proposal before him. On the morning of January 31, the employee met Chan Ham-on in a tea-house in Canton and put the proposition before him. Chan said he would consider it and later in the same day he went and saw Mr. Bodiker. He agreed to the proposal on condition that the shipment be prompt and that European analysis and weight should prevail.

On February 18, two cheques in connection with the loan were handed over to Chan. On the afternoon of the same day the ore was shipped to Hongkong on the S.S. Sai On, accompanied by a lot of plaintiff's goods. On arrival at Hongkong, Mr. Bodiker and Co., Au Shiu-ting. The ship arrived at 10.30 p.m. and Au asked Chan which lot was for shipment, and which for storage. Chan replied that lots four and five were for shipment and Au then made arrangements for the goods to be stored in the China Provident godowns. Mr. Soltan, the Hongkong manager, later went on board the Sai On to examine the bags and found that they were not sufficiently well-packed for shipment. He opened several bags of them in order to ascertain if the bags actually contained wolfram ore.

GOODS RELEASED

On March 7, Chan Ham-on called on Mr. Bodiker and said that he had arranged for the sale of 50 tons of the ore to Messrs. Jensen and Co. at \$73 per picul. The goods were released on Chan paying a certain sum of money.

Several days later, Mr. Bodiker was again asked for the release of the remainder of the goods. The plaintiffs brought the remainder of the loan to the office to redeem the goods, but Mr. Bodiker told them that it was of no use as he had already shipped the ore to Hamburg. A suggestion was then made to Mr. Bodiker that he should replace the ore but Mr. Bodiker refused, saying that the plaintiffs had knowledge that he was going to ship the goods to Europe.

Counsel then went on to submit that the defendant company had every right to convert the goods, as it had been verbally agreed between the parties. He contended that the refusal of Mr. Bodiker to replace the goods when the suggestion was made to him showed that it was the action of a man who was obviously in the right, because if Mr. Bodiker had

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Peking, Dec. 4. General Sung Chee-yuan has banned the Tientsin paper, *Takung Pao*, from the mails for a sarcastic editorial warning the General to desist from aiding in the dismembering of the country or, if he persists, at least to admit his personal responsibility and not to pretend that he is acting in the name of the people.—United Press.

SLANDER CASE DECISION

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Mr. MacPartland since August this year.

In answer to Mr. Arculli, witness admitted that when he took out a summons recently against Mr. MacPartland for assault, Mr. Hammann wrote his statement in English and gave him advice as to what to do.

Mr. Arculli: I put it to you that you were not there when Mrs. Hammann was there in Jimmy's Kitchen?

Witness: I was there.

You being there and being friendly with Mrs. Hammann, why did you not do anything to stop the assault?

I told her to go away.

His Lordship: Why did you not try to stop it? You saw the wife of your friend being assaulted and a bucket of water thrown over her?

Witness: Everything happened so quickly.

Asked by His Lordship as to what he heard which made him follow plaintiff, witness said he did not hear anything definite. He only heard voices.

His Lordship: What was the first thing you heard?

Witness: The first thing I understood was "Get out, you —"

POLICE EVIDENCE

The next witness called was Sergeant Dixey-Beale, of No. 2 Police Station, who stated that when he saw defendant in Jimmy's Kitchen in consequence of a report made to the police, defendant told him that Mrs. Hammann had gone to the restaurant with her man and had caused a lot of trouble. He told her to get out and repeated to witness what he had said to her, using the expression complained of. Defendant also admitted throwing the water over Mrs. Hammann.

Mr. Mackinlay: What impression did you get when Mr. MacPartland used that expression on Mrs. Hammann?

Sergeant Dixey-Beale: At the time, I took it that defendant meant that Mrs. Hammann was a prostitute.

Witness explained that the reason why he had that impression was that defendant had, just previously, stated he would not have loose women hanging around the place.

Cross-examined by Mr. Arculli, witness said he could not say whether Mr. MacPartland's statement to loose women meant women who were brought to the restaurant by customers. He believed that defendant had previously reported to the police about loose women troubling the place.

This closed the plaintiff's case.

DEFENCE DENIAL

Mr. Arculli told the Court that the defendant's case was that no assault had been committed. Defendant admitted throwing water over the plaintiff. The alleged slander was stated to have uttered before Mr. Karistrop and other bystanders, but the only person who had come forward to testify was Mr. Karistrop. The words used were not slanderous, and were nothing more than vulgar abuse.

In the witness box, defendant denied having struck, kicked or called plaintiff any names. What she alleged, he stated, was entirely false. This incident occurred, Mr. Karistrop was not in the premises, and the assault was never mentioned to Sergeant Dixey-Beale.

His Lordship: Do you say that he has come to Court and deliberately lied?

NOT THE TRUTH

Witness: I say he was not telling the truth.

His Lordship: You have put it more politely than I, but the effect is the same.

In answer to a question by Mr. Arculli, witness said he was still suffering from injuries received during the war and was not strong enough to engage in a struggle.

Three servants of Jimmy's Kitchen then testified that they saw no assault on the plaintiff.

Dr. H. D. Matthews was then called and testified that he examined Mr. MacPartland on November 25. He was of the opinion that Mr. MacPartland could engage in a struggle, but it would not be wise, as it would not do him any good. Defendant's blood pressure was abnormal, being on the high side.

His Lordship held that the words used were disgusting, but not slanderous. He found that the assault as detailed by the plaintiff's side was committed and he gave judgment in her favour, on that ground alone, of \$100 and 75 per cent. of the costs.

shipped the goods without the knowledge of the plaintiffs, he would have readily jumped at the idea in order to cover up the alleged irregularity.

Counsel further denied that his clients had taken advantage of plaintiffs' property to gamble in exchange in order to make a profit from the loan.

The case is proceeding.


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